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Rx made to avoid fatal drug combos

Pharmacists would get breaks, more time to get scripts right under plan spurred by Tribune story

BY RAY LONG

Gov. J.B. Pritzker's administration is pushing changes in state regulations to require pharmacists take breaks to relieve pressure from heavy workloads, ensure pharmacies give them time

to review patient drug histories and cut down on the extra duties that distract them from safely dispensing drugs.

The proposed changes, which could be considered as soon as the legislature's fall session that starts Monday, arose from a task force

formed in response to a Chicago Tribune investigation that found 52% of 255 Chicago-area pharmacies had failed to warn about combinations of drugs that could cause harm or death.

Pharmacists often felt overwhelmed by an assembly-line process at busy pharmacies where hundreds of prescriptions are filled in a single shift. Several major chains said they improved

internal controls to catch drug interactions following the Tribune's 2016 "Dangerous Doses" series.

Now state officials charged with pharmacy oversight believe the task force recommendations "will make working conditions more manageable for pharmacists, reducing errors and increasing patient safety," said Pritzker spokeswoman Jordan Abu-

dayeh.

Philip Burgess, the task force chairman, said the efforts have drawn national attention because the panel looked into why dangerous drug interactions were not caught by pharmacists, and focused on trying to ease the stress from heavy workloads and extra distractions like hitting company

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Rebecca Weinberg and son Fred, 7, stand near their Rogers Park home. Initially neutral, Weinberg joined the CTU picket line Thursday.

Parents strike mixed note

As teachers' walkout enters 2nd week and kids stay out, attitudes of CPS moms and dads shift

BY JAVONTE ANDERSON, HANNAH LEONE AND ELAINE CHEN

As Chicago public schools remain engulfed in a school strike that's left more than 300,000 students out of class, some parents affected by the work stoppage have become more sympathetic to the teachers, going so

far as to bring their children to picket lines, while others, including parents of high school seniors concerned about college applications, just want the strike to end.

As the strike enters its second week and more than 30,000 teachers and school staff remain off the job, some people's attitudes regarding the strike are shifting.

From neutral to joining teachers

Initially, Rebecca Weinberg of Rogers Park felt neutral when the Chicago Teachers Union and CPS officials clashed at the bargaining table.

She didn't pick a side. She wasn't angry, just disappointed. "I wasn't laying blame anywhere," said Weinberg, whose

son Fred is a second grade student at New Field elementary school. "I just felt sad that we've gotten to this point."

Her stance began to shift when she heard the promises Mayor Lori Lightfoot made during her mayoral campaign, she said.

"She made statements that

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Graham blasts 'closed' inquiry

Democrats look to take case against Trump public in November

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A leading Senate ally of President Donald Trump introduced a resolution Thursday condemning the Democratic-run House for pursuing an "illegitimate impeachment inquiry" and demanding that Republicans be given more chances to question witnesses.

After two dramatic days of closed-door depositions, House investigators paused for a service in the Capitol in honor of the late congressman Elijah Cummings, D-Md., the former House Oversight and Reform Committee chairman.

But debate over the fairness of the inquiry continued unabated, with Trump praising House Republicans for storming a secure room where depositions are being held and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., accusing GOP lawmakers of "covering up" for a president abusing his power.

The nonbinding resolution announced by GOP Sen. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina gives Senate Republicans a chance to show support for Trump at a moment when the president is urging his GOP allies to fight harder for him as the House impeachment probe gathers momentum.

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Industry leaders give \$150M to IIT

The Illinois Institute of Technology is getting a \$150 million donation from 10 business and technology leaders, said university president Alan Cramb. It will be used to fund scholarships, renovations of student life facilities and to better train students for Chicago's technology jobs. **Business**

Amazon buys Chicago MD's firm

Amazon has made another foray into the health field by acquiring Health Navigator. The firm was founded and led by a Northwestern Memorial doctor. The company describes itself on its website as a "one-of-a-kind, digital, diagnostic system" that can improve virtual health experiences by providing "accurate and efficient symptom checking." **Business**



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Maya Rockey Moore, left, widow of U.S. Rep. Elijah Cummings, is joined by family as Cummings' casket is escorted up the steps of the U.S. Capitol by a military honor guard. He is the first African American lawmaker to lie in state in the Capitol. **Nation & World**, Page 13

Fire spreads through Calif. wine country

Thousands of Northern California residents are forced to evacuate as damage spreads to more than 10,000 acres. **Nation & World**, Page 12

Cops found revising street stop reports

Review suggests bid to make them appear legit

BY ANNIE SWEENEY

A review by a former federal judge of how Chicago police conduct street stops has found a troubling trend — supervisors assisting officers in revising hundreds of reports, sometimes multiple times, all in an effort to make it appear the stops were constitutional.

One officer rewrote a report as many as seven times, according to the latest findings by former U.S. Magistrate Judge Arlander Keys, who is overseeing a 2015 settlement agreement between the city of Chicago and the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois over how the department conducts so-called stop and frisk stops.

"Enhanced supervision may involve coaching and identifying what the officer should have done, but did not do, but it

should not involve changing the answer or adding more information to the answer," Keys wrote in the 139-page report made public Thursday.

"These types of mistakes are not the kind that can or should be fixed in hindsight in the data," he wrote. "If they continue to be fixed in this manner, then those actions undermine the intentions of the parties to the Agreement to ensure that police officers conduct legitimate and justified street stops and frisks. Fixing the paperwork only masks the problem; it does not remedy it."

The report's findings have resulted in the city agreeing to review how it collects and reports its data on the street stops.

Karen Sheley, director of the police practices project for the

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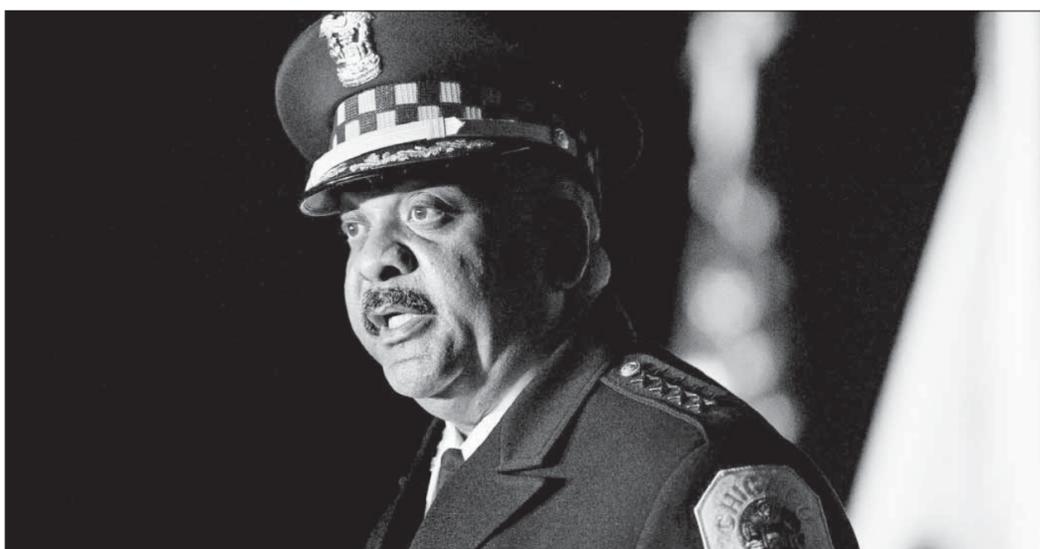
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Police Superintendent Eddie Johnson's boycott of President Donald Trump's Chicago speech changes the subject.



JOHN KASS

Lightfoot toes, Johnson woes and CTU's show

I've got three questions. Here they are:

1. Embattled Chicago police Superintendent Eddie Johnson is boycotting President Donald Trump's speech in Chicago to a gathering of police chiefs, but will Chicago's chief have much of a future when police body camera footage becomes public, showing cops finding him slumped over and passed out in his car after a couple of drinks?

2. Is Mayor Lori Lightfoot being fairly treated by her fellow Democrats running for president, who eagerly suck up to the militant leadership of the Chicago Teacher's Union even as 300,000 kids — most of whom are minorities from low-income neighborhoods — are kept out of school by the CTU strike?

3. With many working parents being forced to pay out of pocket for child care during this strike — even though CTU has been offered a 16%-24% raise over five years — will parents sour on CTU President Jesse Sharkey and his "civil disobedience" publicity act?

Johnson was found passed out in his car by police last week. A change in blood pressure medicine may have contributed, but he did tell Lightfoot he had a few drinks. The matter is being investigated by the inspector general's office.

Now Johnson is trying to change the subject by boycotting Trump.

Johnson says he's boycotting, citing Trump's rhetoric as racially tinged and Trump's stance against Chicago's sanctuary city policies as unfair. In response, the Fraternal Order of Police has issued a no-confidence vote against their boss.

I like Eddie Johnson. He's a decent guy. Yet I'm also reminded that when President Richard Nixon — who was hated by Democrats — visited Chicago, the king Democrat of them all, Mayor Richard J. Daley, personally greeted Nixon, to show respect for the office and for Chicago.

The Johnson boycott of Trump changes the subject, but only for a day or two. Eventually, the police body camera footage of a passed-out Johnson will be made public. The video

will go viral. And Johnson will be subject to public ridicule. City Hall considers its options.

When Lightfoot visited the Tribune Editorial Board the other day, I asked her about Johnson. She gave him a vote of confidence, saying the city should be reminded that after the Laquan McDonald police killing, Johnson stepped into the leadership void and offered stability.

"That was a really scary time (for Chicago)," Lightfoot said. "We didn't come apart, in part because of the superintendent's leadership. So, I want to look at the entirety of the man's body of work. I think he deserves that. I think he's earned that."

But she pointedly refused to discuss what the police body cameras show.

"I assume they will be released when the investigation is done," Lightfoot said.

When I asked if she'd seen them, she said: "I am not going to comment any further about anything I know or don't know about what happened that night."

But Lightfoot ally and Chicago City Council Finance Committee Chairman Scott Waguespack, 32nd, is not so sure Johnson can withstand the videos. After they're released, it might be "very difficult to continue to show strong support," Waguespack said while taping my podcast, "The Chicago Way" on WGN Plus.

Waguespack knows Johnson has been under great stress in dealing with Chicago violence, but added, "I think perhaps they (mayor's office) are in a situation where they're looking for other leadership in the department and who can step up."

Uh-oh. And the police body cam video? Once the video is released, Waguespack doesn't think Johnson will be able to withstand it.

"I think you're right about the body cameras. That's why officers wear them to show a little more of the truth in a situation. I think the mayor is being careful about how she approaches it. But if it were somebody else, you know, maybe as not as critical to the department, or to another department, they might be gone."

Question No. 2: Is Lightfoot being fairly treated by Democratic presidential candidates during the school strike?

No. She's offered the teachers a great raise, but she's not been aggressive with them publicly. CTU has dominated the news narrative. But to see Democratic presidential candidates take sides against her and against the kids who should be in school is sickening. Then again, much of politics is sickening, isn't it?

Former mayoral candidate Paul Vallas, who ran Chicago Public Schools when they were in the black, praised Lightfoot's approach to the strike and the city budget.

"What Lightfoot has offered them (CTU) is a very generous financial package," Vallas said on "The Chicago Way." "And her budget is about trying to buy her time to develop a long-term plan for the city. You're not going to solve the problems of the city in six months."

Which brings us to No. 3: The CTU Civil Disobedience Clown Show.

Sharkey said Thursday he planned on giving civil disobedience training to teachers: "It would look like bringing our case directly to the powerful people, the people who control the purse strings and control the levers of political power that can settle this in a fair way."

This is a media glory quest.

And all those parents, including working single moms, having to dig into their pockets to pay for child care, just so Sharkey can get a few more national media days and TV face time?

They see through it. And they'll sour on him. Unfortunately, they could sour on good teachers too.

Time for Sharkey to be sent to the principal's office. And for all Chicago's kids to go back to school.

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'Lynching' not of the past, despite political trope



DAHLEEN GLANTON

Politicians like to throw out the word lynching when they or someone they support is in hot water.

The problem is that it makes it seem as though racially motivated killings are a thing of the past. Lynchings survived the Jim Crow era, and continue to evolve. Today, we call them hate crimes.

The last officially recorded lynching occurred in Mobile, Alabama, in 1981. Michael Donald, a 19-year-old technical college student, was beaten and killed by a group of Ku Klux Klansmen, who then hung his body from a tree. But it was by no means the last lynching.

In 1998, a group of self-proclaimed white supremacists tied James Byrd to the back of a pickup truck and dragged him for a mile and a half down a rural dirt road in Texas, eventually ripping his head from his body.

That was not a lynching in the traditional sense of the word. There were no crowds of white people standing around cheering as life drained from the body of a black person hanging from a tree.

What happened to Byrd — a 49-year-old black man who was abducted while walking home from a party in Jasper, Texas, was a modern-day lynching. His murder proved that the belief among some whites that they had the moral right to kill a black man, woman or child simply because they could had not vanished.

Lynchings have evolved into acts more daring, occurring in the daylight and often by a single perpetrator. Just last year, a white gunman killed two African Americans at a Kroger supermarket in Jeffersonton, Kentucky, after unsuccessfully trying to force his way into a black church where parishioners were holding a service.

These days, white Americans are more likely to take a stand against such acts of evil. And those who commit these acts of violence are less likely to get away with them.

Now it appears that Donald Trump thinks he's being lynched. "So some day, if a Democrat



A bronze statue called "Raise Up" is part of the display at the National Memorial for Peace and Justice, a memorial to honor victims of lynching.

becomes President and the Republicans win the House, even by a tiny margin, they can impeach the President, without due process or fairness or any legal rights. All Republicans must remember what they are witnessing here — a lynching. But we will WIN!" he tweeted Tuesday.

Trump wants his supporters to imagine a white man hanging from a tree or being dragged down the road, tied to the back of a truck. He wants overwhelmingly white Republicans to envision Democrats — many of them African Americans — standing around cheering as he is attacked in the dead of the night.

His thinly veiled message is that the tide of justice has changed course in America. People who have always been in charge of carrying out the rules of justice are in danger. But in the end, he reassures them that "We will win!"

The concept of Trump being lynched is so ridiculous that we should not waste our anger. His comments do, however, deserve our attention. Racial messages often are coded in extemporaneous statements, but their vile undertones are both powerful and persuasive to their intended audi-

ence. The term lynching has as much emotional baggage as the N-word. Every high-profile person, from politicians to the black Supreme Court justice, who has used the term was looking to effect shock. But they also were sending a message.

Clarence Thomas' use of the term "high-tech" lynching got his point across to both African Americans and white people better than anything else he said during his tumultuous Senate confirmation hearing in 1991.

Here was a black man, only the second in history, on his way to a seat on the high court, being bombarded by allegations of sexual improprieties involving Anita Hill. The sexual prowess of black men was often the impetus for Jim Crow lynchings.

Emmett Till, for example, was murdered by a mob of white men in Mississippi for allegedly whistling at a white woman in 1955.

"From my standpoint, as a black American, as far as I'm concerned it is a high-tech lynching for uppity blacks who in any way deign to think for themselves, to do for themselves, to have different ideas, and it is a message

that unless you kowtow to an old order, this is what will happen to you. You will be lynched, destroyed, caricatured by a committee of the U.S. Senate rather than hung from a tree," Thomas said.

This statement coming from a black man, a child of the South no less, was a powerful message to the white senators who would determine whether he was suitable to sit on the Supreme Court. Would their fear of being labeled racist force them to cower and allow the confirmation, though Hill had been a credible witness? Yes, they would. And Thomas knew they would.

Several Democrats used the term to defend Bill Clinton when he was impeached in 1998. Rep. Danny Davis called it a "lynching" and Rep. Greg Meeks of New York called it a "political lynching." Both are African American. Then-Sen. Joe Biden called Clinton's impeachment proceedings a "partisan lynching." Rep. Charlie Rangel referred to the "lynch mob," as did Rep. Jerry Nadler.

If we're going to be honest about it, all of them, including Thomas, were just as wrong to use the term as it was for Trump to use it. But there is a difference. There is something more sinis-

ter about it coming from Trump. As president, he has exhibited a tendency to support white supremacy. His pattern of derogatory statements about African Americans and the neighborhoods they live in has proven him to be not only insensitive but also disdainful toward black people.

He has shown no regard or even understanding of the relationship between the social inequities African Americans face today and this country's history of enslavement, lynching, and on-going social and criminal injustices. Under his presidency, racial intolerance has soared as he continues to fuel the flames of bigotry.

When it comes to African Americans, Trump is tone deaf. And when a person like that uses a racially infused term that makes black people cringe, it's like taking a knife and grinding it into their stomach.

Most Americans were able to dismiss the inappropriate language of other politicians as politics as usual. But with Trump, it's more like racism as usual. That's harder to ignore.

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Acquitted of cover-up, ex-cop's file gets cover

Record in Laquan McDonald shooting case to be expunged

BY MEGAN CREPEAU

A former Chicago police detective who was acquitted of a cover-up in the incendiary police shooting of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald will have his criminal charges erased from the public record, a Cook County judge decided Thursday.

A team of special prosecutors led by Patricia Brown Holmes did not oppose the petition by David March to expunge the conspiracy, obstruction of justice and official misconduct charges he faced. March, the lead investigator in the shooting, resigned from the department in August 2016 after the city inspector general's office recommended he be fired.

LeRoy Martin Jr., the presiding judge of the criminal division, approved the request at a brief hearing Thursday at the Leighton Criminal Court Building.

Earlier this month, the Chicago Tribune reported that another former detective involved in a high-profile shooting was seeking the same legal remedy. Dante Servin was acquitted in 2015 by a judge of involuntary manslaughter in the off-duty fatal shooting of Rekia Boyd.

The Cook County state's attorney's office, however, has opposed expunging the criminal case against Servin, arguing that given the nature of the charges, the public, employers and law enforcement should have access to the record. A hearing has been scheduled for next month.

March and two other officers went on trial on charges alleging they conspired to justify McDonald's shooting by falsifying reports that contradicted the now-infamous police dashboard camera video of the shooting by exaggerating the threat posed by the teen high on PCP and carrying a knife. The officers' attorneys argued that any discrepancies in the paperwork could be chalked up to innocent mistakes or differences of opinion.

In a historic trial last fall, a jury found Officer Jason Van Dyke guilty on one count of second-degree murder and 16 counts of aggravated battery — one for each bullet that hit McDonald's body — making him the first Chicago police officer in half a century to be convicted of murder for an on-duty incident. He was sentenced to nearly seven years in prison.

While Van Dyke's trial centered on his actions on the night of the shooting, the conspiracy case had been seen as a referendum on a so-called code of silence within the Chicago Police Department designed to protect fellow officers from accountability for wrongdoing. The indictment was believed to be the first time any Chicago police officer faced criminal charges stemming from an alleged cover-up of an on-duty shooting.

In a controversial ruling in January, Judge Domenica Stephenson acquitted March, ex-patrolman Joseph Walsh and Officer Thomas Gaffney of all charges while downplaying the importance of the police video of the shooting, saying it did not capture the perspective of the officers.

Shortly after his acquittal, March filed to expunge the criminal charges from court records and law enforcement databases. Walsh, who was Van Dyke's partner that night, and Gaffney, the only one of the officers to remain on the force, have not filed similar paperwork, records show.

Through a spokesman, the special prosecution team declined to comment on its decision not to challenge March's request to expunge his criminal charges.

March's attorney, James McKay, told reporters that March, now 61, has struggled finding work since he was first charged in mid-2017.

Since he was acquitted of all charges, March is entitled under the law to have his slate wiped clean, he said.

"He'd like to go get a full-time job, and maybe this will help. Maybe. Because any prospective employer is going to Google him and read all the nonsense that's on the internet," said McKay.

"Nobody should have an objection to an expungement of a not-guilty. Period," he said. "No matter who they are, no matter what they used to do for a living, no matter what they look like, nobody should have an objection, and in this case nobody did."

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Former Detective David March will have his criminal charges erased from the public record.



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Mayor Lori Lightfoot joins mental health advocates Thursday at a news conference at Friend Family Health Center in Chicago.

Mayor's plan to mend mental health safety net gets ripped

BY JOHN BYRNE

Mayor Lori Lightfoot thinks she has the plan to fix the shortcomings in Chicago's mental health safety net — and end the political fight that's been raging for years over the closure of city-owned mental health clinics.

Lightfoot won't reopen the six clinics Mayor Rahm Emanuel closed in 2012. At the time, Emanuel's move set off a firestorm of criticism from progressive grassroots activists and aldermen allied with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, which saw its members lose their jobs in the closures.

Instead, Lightfoot included in her 2020 budget plan this week a pledge to double the spending on mental health to around \$19 million and use the extra money to increase funding to clinics that are already providing mental health services in low-income areas, reach out to people who have trouble accessing the clinics and provide more services to young people.

Her idea was met with skepticism from some aldermen and dismissed as inadequate by a South Side organization that has been fighting to get the city clinics reopened.

Lightfoot learned this month that she won't be given a pass on the clinics fight she inherited from Emanuel. Aldermen on the City Council Health and Human Services Committee blocked confirmation of Allison Arwady, Lightfoot's nominee to be city health commissioner, after Arwady declined to endorse reopening them.

Still, with Arwady at her side Thursday

at a Hyde Park behavioral health clinic, Lightfoot said she's confident her proposal will get City Council support and Arwady will get approved.

"I think what aldermen expressed to us was needing to know more about what the plan was, and at that time the plan wasn't quite complete," Lightfoot said. "So now we've fine-tuned it, made sure that we checked it with various community partners, and I have 100% confidence that Dr. Arwady will be the next full-time commissioner."

By including it in an \$11.65 billion 2020 budget that features hardly any property tax increases, the mayor makes it tougher for aldermen to mount an opposition to the mental health spending package.

Lightfoot's financial plan is politically easy for aldermen to support, and seems very likely to win approval from a majority of the 50-member council as is, giving those who want the city-owned clinics to be reopened little leverage to force her to make changes.

After Lightfoot's speech, progressive aldermen said they wanted the city-run centers reopened, but stopped short of committing to vote against the budget because of it.

Ald. Byron Sigcho-Lopez, 25th, said he was disappointed the mayor wasn't planning to open the city-run clinics.

"Absolutely, that's one of the things we want to hear, we want concrete commitments, and I'll be pushing for that," he said.

And Ald. Maria Hadden, 49th, said she needed more time to dig into the budget before taking a position.

"I'm not disappointed, but I am anxious

to see what the plan is for the integrated services," Hadden said.

But Amika Tendaji, the mental health organizer for Southside Together Organizing for Power, said her group will be working with aldermen to try to get Lightfoot to make changes to the budget before the council votes on it later this fall.

"There are serious limits to what these private clinics can do," Tendaji said.

"The waiting lists are too long. There are limits on the number of times people can visit, and there are insurance requirements. This falls far short of what people on the South and West sides need, and what they've been needing for years since Rahm Emanuel closed the city-run clinics."

And Anders Lindall, spokesman for AFSCME Local 31, released a statement after the mayor's Wednesday budget speech saying the union and its allies are "very disappointed by the mayor's proposed budget for mental health services."

"In short, the mayor's proposed budget fails to expand public mental health services," Lindall's statement reads in part. "Beyond opening no clinics, it fails to address the steady erosion of frontline clinical staff, adding no therapists, psychologists, psychiatrists, case managers or behavioral health assistants. Instead of restoring the direct services our communities need, this budget's added positions in the Department of Public Health are top-heavy on management and back-office employees."

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Contractor is acquitted of bribery

But jurors convict him of lying to investigators

BY JASON MEISNER

A federal jury acquitted a suburban contractor Thursday of conspiring to pay nearly \$170,000 in bribes to then-Markham Mayor David Webb Jr., but found him guilty on a separate count of lying to federal investigators.

The split verdict for Thomas Summers was announced after a weeklong trial before U.S. District Judge Robert Gettleman. The jury deliberated for about four hours before reaching its decision.

Summers, the owner of Alsip-based Alsterda Cartage and Construction Co., could have faced up to 10 years in prison if convicted of the conspiracy charge. Instead, he could get as little as probation for lying to FBI and Internal Revenue Service agents during a 2016 interview.

Gettleman has not set a sentencing date. "Tommy is grateful for the jury's careful consideration of the bribery charge," his lawyer, Douglas Whitney, said in a statement emailed to the Chicago Tribune. "He looks forward to putting this long, painful and unnecessary ordeal behind him."

Summers was the second contractor to face trial in the alleged bribery scheme involving Webb, who pleaded guilty and agreed to testify for prosecutors in exchange for leniency.

In May, a jury found Michael Jarigese and his company, Tower Contracting, guilty of 10 counts of wire fraud and federal program bribery for giving Webb nearly



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Former Markham Mayor David Webb has pleaded guilty in connection with the case.

\$100,000 in bribes to secure work from the impoverished south suburb.

Jarigese is awaiting sentencing. According to the indictment against Summers, Alsterda Cartage and Construction was paid a total of \$3.5 million by Markham for various projects between 2008 and 2017.

In that time period, Summers paid a total of \$169,015 in cash to Webb as well as checks to KAT Remodeling, a shell company that Webb set up in his children's names that he allegedly used to funnel bribes, the indictment alleged.

In some cases, Summers wrote in memos on the checks words such as "kitchen," "office" or "Ford Truck" to make the payments seem legitimate, the indictment said.

The charges also alleged Summers lied when he told the FBI and IRS in a November 2016 interview that he was "not familiar" with KAT Remodeling and that a

\$33,000 check he'd written in 2011 was for remodeling work.

Webb's guilty plea and testimony in both the Jarigese and Summers trials marked an unusual twist for a public corruption investigation. Typically it's the contractors and other bribe payers who cooperate with the government and testify against the politicians who took the money.

Instead, Webb himself cooperated with prosecutors, pleading guilty to "honest services" wire fraud and the filing of a false tax return just weeks after his indictment in December 2017.

As part of his deal with prosecutors, Webb admitted he took a combined \$300,000 from Jarigese, Summers and other contractors doing business with the city beginning in 2008. Webb testified in Jarigese's trial that he spent the bribe money on "personal things," including gambling trips to nearby casinos.

Federal guidelines call for Webb to be sentenced to between seven and nine years in prison, but prosecutors have said they'll recommend that Gettleman give him about 4 1/2 years behind bars in exchange for his cooperation.

Webb was first elected to lead the small suburb of about 12,000 residents in 2001 and declined to run for reelection in April 2017 amid the federal investigation.

Webb never needed more than 1,700 votes to win in Markham but raised more than \$1 million in campaign contributions since 2000, making him one of the most prolific local political fundraisers in the state, records show.

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Sexist nonsense we learned from Ernst & Young



HEIDI STEVENS
Balancing Act

I'm still trying to get my head around the pancake thing.

"Women's brains absorb information like pancakes soak up syrup so it's hard for them to focus," female executives were told at an Ernst & Young training seminar in 2018. "Men's brains are more like waffles. They're better able to focus because the information collects in each little waffle square."

Men are from Waffle House, women are from IHOP! Somebody call John Gray.

One of the women who attended the accounting firm's day-and-a-half leadership and empowerment (?) seminar gave a copy of the 55-page presentation to HuffPost.

"Full of out-of-touch advice," HuffPost wrote Monday, "the presentation focused on how women need to fix themselves to fit into a male-dominated workplace."

"Don't flaunt your body — sexuality scrambles the mind (for men and women)," attendees were told.

"A long list of 'Invisible Rules' for men and women on Page 13 paints a bleak portrait of contrasting communication styles," according to HuffPost. "It says that women often 'speak briefly' and 'often ramble and miss the point' in meetings. By comparison, a man will 'speak at length — because he really believes in his idea.'"

It's a stunner. You feel like you've stumbled upon one of those "how to land a husband" articles from 1950s McCall's. ("Stand in a corner and cry softly.")

Except this presentation was offered in 2018. At a major accounting firm.

In other news, well-known pastor, author and radio host John MacArthur went on an anti-women-as-ministers tear at a conference for Christian leaders over the weekend. Asked what phrase pops in his head when he hears about author and fellow preacher Beth Moore, MacArthur answered, "Go home."

"There is no case that can be made biblically for a woman preacher," MacArthur told the crowd, according to Christian Headlines. "Period, paragraph, end of discussion."

Except it wasn't the end of discussion, of course.

"When the leaders of evangelicalism roll over for women preachers, the

feminists have really won the battle," MacArthur continued, to applause.

"The primary effort in feminism is not equality" he said. "They don't want equality, that's why 99% of plumbers are men. They don't want equal power to be a plumber, they want to be senators, preachers, congressmen, president, the power structure in a university. They want power, not equality."

(Chicago Women in Trades would beg to differ on that plumber point.)

And lest we forget, Houston Astros assistant general manager Brandon Taubman celebrated his team's win Saturday night by taunting and swearing at three female reporters in the clubhouse.

Not a banner week for gender relations in the workplace.

Here's the thing: Men didn't invent work. Women have been working since the beginning of time. They were nurses in the Revolutionary War and every war since. They crammed into factories in the early 1900s. They've cooked and cleaned and care-taken and taught and invented and written and built and created, sometimes with pay, sometimes without, since our nation's founding. This is especially true of women of color.

And still (still!) (in 2019!) we see these examples of men behaving as though they got to work first and women showed up to spoil the fun. To invade their space. To play office.

Work is not a man cave.

Women aren't there to refill the snacks and fluff the pillows. Women are there to work.

We're not window dressing. We're not optional props, in need of frequent reminders to stay in our place, lest we disturb all the waffle brains.

It's sort of stunning this still needs to be said. Women earn 57% of the bachelor's degrees in this country, according to Pew Research data. Women have earned the majority of doctoral degrees for a decade and outnumber men in graduate school 137 to 100, according to American Enterprise Institute.

Still, old attitudes die hard.

Hang in there, women. As our wise sage Serena Williams said about her family's ability to forever change the sport of tennis: "Not because we were welcomed, but because we wouldn't stop winning."

Let your brain soak that up.

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Lawyer for dad charged in boy's death says resolutions discussed

BY AMANDA MARRAZZO

The attorney for the Crystal Lake man accused in the slaying of his 5-year-old son met with prosecutors and a McHenry County judge on Thursday and said they are working toward a resolution pertaining to charges against the man.

Henry Sugden, attorney for Andrew Freund, 60, father of AJ Freund, emerged from a



Freund

conference and said the parties would be meeting Tuesday to consider the matter further.

Sugden and State's Attorney Patrick Kenneally said no offer has been made to Freund at this point.

Sugden said they are "attempting to work toward a resolution."

"Both sides would like to resolve it if we can," Sugden said. "Won't be done Tuesday, but we will have an idea of where we

are going."

Andrew Freund and the boy's mother, JoAnn Cunningham, 36, are charged with murder and other crimes in connection with the death of their son.

AJ was found buried in a shallow grave six days after his father made a 911 call on April 18 that he was missing, according to authorities. Three days earlier, authorities say, the boy had been beaten to death. His body was kept in the basement of the family home on Dole Avenue until two days later when Freund moved him and buried him in a



FAMILY PHOTO

"AJ" Freund was found in a shallow grave six days after being reported missing.

field in Woodstock, authorities said.

Cunningham's attorney, Angelo Mourelatos, declined to comment.

Amanda Marrazzo is a freelance reporter.

Intruder dies after break-in, struggle with resident

Chicago Tribune staff

Chicago police say an intruder who died during a struggle inside a West Side apartment had just broken into the dwelling and was attempting to burglarize it when he encountered the resident living there, authorities said.

The intruder climbed through a back window of the apartment above Gigi's Food Mart in the 5000

block of West Chicago Avenue around 10 p.m. Wednesday. He was confronted by the resident, a 39-year-old man, and the two started fighting in the living room, according to Chicago police.

The intruder — identified as Derek Carson, 51, according to the Cook County medical examiner's office — used a Taser on the resident and bit him, but suffered some sort of injury

during the scuffle and died at the scene, police said. The resident was treated for his injuries at West Suburban Medical Center in Oak Park and later released.

An autopsy determined that Carson, of the 1000 block of North Lawler Avenue, died from asphyxia brought on by compression of his neck during an altercation, and his death was ruled a homicide, the medi-

cal examiner's office stated.

Prior to the release of the autopsy results, Officer Jessica Alvarez, a Chicago police spokeswoman, said Area North detectives had already classified the case as a home invasion and wouldn't be pursuing criminal charges against the resident, citing self-defense.

The resident couldn't be reached for comment Thursday afternoon.

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Northbrook allows recreational pot sales

BY ANNA KIM

Recreational marijuana businesses will be allowed in Northbrook, the village's Board of Trustees decided unanimously Tuesday night, despite dozens of people speaking out at the meeting against the move.

As of Jan. 1, recreational marijuana will be legal for those 21 and older to use, buy and possess, but Illinois municipalities can decide whether to allow recreational marijuana to be sold at dispensaries within their boundaries.

In Northbrook, nearly 170 people filled seats and stood in the village hall boardroom, many wearing "Opt Out" T-shirts and buttons, and carrying anti-marijuana signs. More than 60 people spoke at the village board meeting, which lasted until midnight.

One resident, Connie Zhou, mentioned Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot's proposal to keep marijuana dispensaries out of downtown. Lightfoot "wanted to keep the downtown area family-friendly. She didn't

want to take the risk of ruining its reputation," Zhou said. "Chicago may need the pot money, but not Chicago downtown. Illinois may need the pot money, but not our Northbrook."

Trustees said they felt it was important to deal with the legalization of recreational marijuana, finding a way to regulate the drug and make consumption and sale as safe as possible.

"To me, this is not solely about increasing revenues to the state or the village," Trustee Robert Israel said, "but about decriminalizing this particular substance and transaction and increasing the safety in our community by placing its use into the daylight."

Recreational marijuana dispensaries will be allowed in Northbrook by special permit in commercial zones that would exclude much of downtown, the trustees decided.

Dispensaries would be allowed to operate between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. and must be at least 250 feet from schools and childcare facilities.



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quotas for giving immunizations to customers.

"The whole focus is patient care," said Burgess, a former Walgreens executive now on the executive committee of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy. "People throughout the pharmacy profession are looking at what Illinois does."

In response to the Tribune investigation, leading national chains said they made significant improvements. CVS said it upgraded its computer alert system, Walgreens provided additional training, and Wal-Mart, Costco and Kmart said they had made similar steps to protect patients.

Dangerous drug combinations are a major public health problem, hospitalizing tens of thousands of people each year. Pharmacists are the last line of defense, and their role is growing as Americans use more prescription drugs than ever. One in 10 people take five or more drugs — twice the percentage seen in 1994.

A key provision of the bill being drafted would help ensure pharmacists get time to rest: requiring one uninterrupted 30-minute meal break and an additional 15-minute break for any pharmacist who worked six continuous hours, according to the task force recommendation.

The pharmacist would get another 15-minute break for working a full 12 hours — a frequent shift for pharmacists at chains and independent drug stores.

No pharmacist breaks are required now under current law — a point task force members acknowledge needs to be addressed. "This is a huge step for ensuring that pharmacists have proper break time, including a lunch, to be able to step away from the counter and be able to improve their mental well-being," said Garth Reynolds, a member of the task force and executive director of the Illinois Pharmacists Association. "We want to make sure the people can have a moment to kind of reset."

Even so, Teamsters Local 727, which represents pharmacists at some Chicago-area Osco and CVS pharmacies, maintained the proposed changes don't go far enough. They criticized a recommendation that would continue to allow companies to assign pharmacists to 12-hour shifts, citing concerns of fatigue, hunger and



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Pharmacists often failed to warn of risks when reporters filled prescriptions for medications that can be harmful or even fatal if mixed.

lack of focus. The union pushed for eight-hour limits, particularly at bigger chains.

The proposed changes also would require employers to maintain accurate records of breaks, but the task force rejected proposals to pay a pharmacist triple for each day a break was not provided.

As the task force's 18-month study progressed, some drug stores embraced changes ahead of time. Walgreens spokesperson Kelli Teno said the chain began implementing 30-minute, dedicated meal breaks in Illinois and several other states this year. Walgreens plans to roll out the breaks nationwide in 2020, Teno said.

In another proposed change, pharmacies could be disciplined for failing to provide adequate time to do several duties, including reviewing a patient's drug history, giving immunizations, answering customer questions and verifying the accuracy of prescriptions. The pharmacy, the pharmacist and the pharmacist-in-charge could be disciplined with written warnings or fines that are posted online and cannot be expunged, Burgess said. Repeat violations could lead to

probation or ultimately license revocation, Burgess said.

Enforcement could come through complaints made by both consumers and pharmacy workers, as well as through state pharmacy inspectors, said Reynolds, the pharmacy association's top official.

The legislation would make clear that pharmacists are protected under whistleblower statutes, a move designed to give pharmacists assurances that they can report company abuses without fear of retaliation.

Pharmacists told the Tribune in 2016 about the increasing demands from companies to work faster while adding to their duties. The task force underscored the point, saying it "strongly believes that activities that distract pharmacists from their jobs are harmful and could affect the safety of the public."

Specifically, the task force cited companies requiring pharmacists to "solicit new business, meet productivity or production quotas, or induce the transfer of prescriptions" from one pharmacy to another.

In addition, the task force recommended expanding the duties of pharmacy technicians.

That includes permitting them to administer vaccinations or immunizations after they've undergone nationally certified training. They also would be allowed to transfer prescriptions between pharmacies. Those are among recommendations the task force said could be put in place through changes in state statutes or administrative rules.

Rep. Mike Zalewski, D-Riverside, said in an email he is working with stakeholders and Pritzker's Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to incorporate the task force's recommendations into a renewal of the Illinois pharmacy act that's about to expire. But lawmakers could opt to consider the proposed changes at a later time.

Democratic Rep. Mary Flowers of Chicago, who has sponsored pharmacy reform legislation, said she still wants tougher regulations. She said eight-hour shifts for pharmacists should be required in so-called big-box retail pharmacies where foot traffic is heavy, but that more leeway could be given in mom-and-pop independent pharmacies.

Flowers also said bigger pharmacies should be required to have full-time technicians on duty

when they are open — a provision the Teamsters also had sought on the task force. Opponents said that's impractical for smaller pharmacies and major retailers who have few customers during overnight shifts at 24-hour stores.

Burgess noted the new recommendations are based on efforts to forge a consensus among the divergent interests of the state's medical society, retailers, pharmacy groups and unions.

Reaching such consensus two years ago proved challenging, and the task force was formed as a compromise. In addition, then-Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner championed regulatory changes that required pharmacists to counsel customers on new drugs or changes in doses in longtime prescriptions — a mandate that includes alerting patients to potentially dangerous drug interactions.

The new set of task force recommendations will be considered in a political environment more favorable for broader changes because Pritzker is viewed as more worker friendly than Rauner.

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Athletes sue to compete during strike

BY JAVONTE ANDERSON
AND JOHN KEILMAN

A group of Chicago Public Schools cross-country runners has sued the Illinois High School Association and the school district, hoping to circumvent a policy that prevents student-athletes from competing in state-sanctioned tournaments when their teachers are on strike.

The suit, filed Thursday in Cook County Circuit Court by the families of 14 students from Jones College Prep, is seeking a temporary restraining order that would allow the runners to participate in postseason competition that begins this weekend.

According to IHSA policy, no team can “participate in an interscholastic contest or activity” when school is not in session “due to a strike by teachers or other school personnel.”

But Kevin Sterling, the attorney who filed the lawsuit and whose son also runs for Jones College Prep, said they requested that the IHSA reexamine its bylaws to find an exception that would allow the student-athletes to compete.

“We asked them to use some creativity in solving this problem for these kids, who have really become the collateral damage of this strike,” he said.

When asked about the recent lawsuit, IHSA Executive Director Craig Anderson said in an emailed



Students from Chicago's Jones College Prep run through Grant Park last year. Fourteen runners are suing to compete during the strike.

statement that the IHSA staff has consistently enforced their strike policy and that they will “refrain from further comment” until the litigation is resolved.

IHSA rules say if a team misses the start of the postseason because of a strike, it cannot be reinstated later. For cross-country, the postseason starts Saturday with regional meets across the state.

The fastest runners qualify for sectional competitions to be held Nov. 2, followed by the state finals in Peoria on Nov. 9.

The suit is also filed on behalf of “other similarly situated CPS student-athletes.”

Sydney Partyka, a senior at Taft

High School, said not being able to run in the state tournament during her last year of high school was “unfair and heartbreaking.”

Sterling said the lawsuit is not a political stance.

“We are not taking a position on the strike,” he said. “This is not about whether or not we think CPS or (the Chicago Teachers Union) is right or wrong. What this is about is these kids who have worked hard all summer and fall, and deserve a chance to compete.”

Union leaders have expressed sympathy with the student-athletes affected by the strike. CTU Vice President Stacy Davis Gates acknowledged the many students

who are unable to compete in important athletic events because of the strike, saying she’s “deeply, deeply apologetic” to all who have missed out on competitions.

“There’s nothing we’ll be able to say to any student-athlete that’s going to make it better,” Davis Gates said earlier this week. “... It sucks.”

Speaking on the local NBC affiliate Thursday, CPS CEO Janice Jackson said the issue is out of the district’s hands.

“This is not a CPS decision,” she said. “We’re not using our kids as a pawn in this whole strike debate. IHSA rules clearly state we need 51% of our students in attendance in order to be an operating district, and therefore we can’t participate because of the stoppage.”

Ian Bacon, a Jones College Prep senior and a plaintiff, said: “We’re all frustrated at the prospect of having our season cut short. We’ve been working for this moment to make it to state and running in the postseason since June.”

Not being able to run in the state tournament will deprive the students of an opportunity to be scouted by colleges and potentially earn scholarships.

“For the kids with families of limited resources, this may be their only opportunity to get into college,” Sterling said.

While cross-country’s postseason begins this weekend, other high school sports have been

affected by the teachers strike.

With football playoff brackets to be determined Saturday, Simeon Career Academy has filed two appeals with the IHSA hoping to get its highly ranked team into the postseason, which begins Nov. 2.

One appeal asks the IHSA to waive its rule requiring teams to play eight games to be eligible for the playoffs. Simeon, which is 6-1, was unable to schedule a game for the second week of the season.

A second appeal seeks a waiver for a rule requiring teams to practice for at least three days when returning from a week of strike-induced idleness. Thus, if the strike were to end Friday, Simeon could play its eighth game Saturday morning before playoff teams are chosen.

The IHSA has said it will seed qualifying CPS teams into the postseason bracket even if the strike continues into Saturday. But if the three-practice rule remains in place, the teams will have to forfeit their first-round games if the strike hasn’t been settled by Wednesday.

The IHSA board will consider Simeon’s appeals during a conference call Friday morning.

“This fight ... is not just for us,” Bacon said. “It’s for all the future student-athletes that may find themselves in this situation.”

Chicago Tribune reporter Hannah Leone contributed.

ACT college testing canceled for hundreds

BY HANNAH LEONE

In another casualty of the Chicago teachers strike, the ACT exams that were scheduled to take place at multiple Chicago Public Schools locations on Saturday have been postponed — bad news for students planning to use those tests in their college applications.

Though the ACT is no longer a required test for Illinois high school students, it is accepted by many four-year colleges along with the SAT, which is administered by CPS during the school day. About 500 CPS students were planning to take the ACT this Saturday, CPS confirmed. But the cancellation could also affect non-CPS students who signed up to take the exam at CPS buildings, a district source said.

The ACT testing company has been notified that exams planned at six CPS schools on Saturday will not take place, said ACT spokeswoman Tarah DeSousa.

Affected students won’t be able to take the test at another location Saturday but will have another chance to test.

“We will provide another opportunity for the affected students to test, and they will be notified once we have confirmed another date,” she said in an email, deferring to CPS on further questions.

A CPS official said many proctors hired by ACT to oversee the tests are CPS teachers now on strike.

“What that jeopardizes for them is college applications, particularly early decision applications which are due Nov. 1,” the official said.

The district already rescheduled PSAT and SAT exams that had been set for Oct. 16, the day

before the strike started, to Oct. 30 — but now there are concerns that those tests can’t be administered if the strike is still going.

In a Thursday morning news conference, CPS Chief Education Officer LaTanya McDade said, “We cannot go into next week. After next week, we will have students who will not be able to take the PSAT to qualify for National Merit scholarships.”

In response to a Tribune inquiry, Jaslee Carayol, a spokesperson for the College Board, which administers the SAT, wrote in an email: “We are monitoring the Chicago Teachers Union strike and have been working closely with educators to ensure that students will have testing opportunities.”

Keli Wildermuth, the parent of a high school sophomore, said missing the PSAT next week wouldn’t be a huge concern, because there’s time to make it up.

“With our senior, when he took (the PSAT), it was so lovely to have him done. He had scores, he knew where he stood, he was able to concentrate on junior year,” Wildermuth said. “Having it off your shoulders is what a lot of these kids won’t be able to feel.”

The family is more concerned about college application deadlines for him. He already took his tests but needs transcripts and letters of recommendation for the Nov. 1 early application deadline at several of the schools he’s interested in.

Initially, it seemed like the transcripts might be held hostage to the strike, but Wildermuth said later the principal at her son’s school, Walter Payton College Prep, sent an email to parents saying non-union administrators



Chicago Teachers Union members and supporters partake in civil disobedience training Thursday in Chicago.

would take care of transcripts for early application deadlines.

In an email to Lake View High School families, Principal P.J. Karafiol addressed similar concerns among Lake View students.

“With uncertainty regarding when the work stoppage will end, I imagine that many of our seniors may be concerned about completing their college applications, particularly for the early action/early decision deadlines,” Karafiol wrote.

Some counselors and teachers submitted letters of recommendation before the strike started, according to the email. But for students waiting on materials to submit their applications, the letter sought to assure students that even under “ordinary circumstances,” colleges usually don’t hold it against students if schools submit materials a few days late.

“Most colleges look first at student-submitted materials: student profile and family information, extracurricular activities and responsibilities, athletics, awards and honors, and essays,” according to the letter. “Recommendations and transcripts often play a secondary role in completing the picture of each student as an individual.”

This year, Karafiol continued, “I think it is safe to assume that college admissions officers are aware of our students’ circumstances, as the strike has made national news.” He suggested that students contact college admissions offices directly with specific concerns.

In the meantime, assistant principals and the school’s former college and career coach can help students get transcripts, he said.

Karafiol included a list of steps

he said he’d “encouraged my own son,” a senior in CPS, to take as the strike goes on, such as spending extra time on applications and staying in touch with colleges of interest and asking for flexibility about deadlines in light of the strike.

In addition to testing concerns, Wildermuth said a college fair was axed last weekend at Whitney Young, where her sophomore goes.

“When you think of the impact on some of these kids, that that was going to be their one chance to meet these schools, it’s hurting some kids beyond what I’m feeling,” she said.

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she was going to be supportive,” Weinberg said. “The promise had been made, but when the requests were made, she turned her back.”

Galvanized by what she sees as the mayor’s unfulfilled promises, Weinberg sprang into action. Tuesday morning, she grabbed a purple jacket, flipped one of her husband’s red shirts inside-out, and walked to the picket line at New Field to support the teachers.

She was accompanied by her son, who carried a poster that read, “I’m here to support my teachers.”

Weinberg said she had used the strike as an opportunity to teach her son about social responsibility.

“Through the teachers, you have to give up something you want, if you want to fight for something you believe in.”

South Shore dad thinks ‘they need to both give’

Some parents who hesitated to take sides at the beginning of the strike said their feelings remained mixed, and they would like to see the two sides come together.

“I go back and forth,” said Monay Mack, who has two children at Bradwell School of Excellence in South Shore. “I am

concerned about the kids. ... I am supportive of the teachers. I am less supportive after it started, but still mixed.”

Both Mack’s fifth and sixth grade children want to be back in school, he said.

Mack said he thinks Lightfoot is trying to do what’s best for property owners and taxpayers, and it seems to him like the union is trying to flex its political muscle.

“It seems like the mayor is trying to do what’s right,” Mack said. “But I can see the teachers do need nurses, so I think they need to both give.”

Mack’s job as a computer programmer allows him some flexibility to work from home and watch the kids, but his wife is in school during the day, so they’ve had to send their children to his sister’s house at times.

“I just wish the strike would end,” Mack said.

Class size a top concern for Belmont Central mom, CPS social studies teacher

Another CPS parent, Melissa Hernandez, said part of her was dreading taking her son back to Mary Lyon elementary school after the strike because he’d been bullied there and further hurt by how the bullying was handled.

“The school kind of just blamed it on overcrowding,” she said. “I

think class size is very important. ... I think a lot of teachers are really stressed and I get it ... (but) I feel like they don’t really understand our environment, our culture, our children.”

The school does have a nurse, social worker and counselor, but it feels like parents don’t have a voice, she said. And Hernandez said it feels like there is a lack of understanding between white staff members and families that are mostly Latino.

“I’m like 50-50,” she said. “I feel like CPS schools in different neighborhoods are neglected.”

Class size, along with special education resources, were prime concerns for an International Baccalaureate social studies teacher who said he voted to authorize the strike but was also supportive of Lightfoot as a mayoral candidate.

The teacher, who asked not to be named for privacy reasons, said he has 34 students in his home-room class, and several of them have special education needs.

“I feel like I can’t accommodate them,” he said. “I feel like I am not accomplishing my goals as a teacher.”

But he said the mayor seems to be doing the job she was elected to do, and it’s unfortunate she’s in the wrong place at the right time.

“I’m torn. I really like Lori Lightfoot,” the teacher said. “I support her. But then I feel like these causes that have been neglected for so long, they’ve been not addressed in the last few

contracts, enough is enough. I’m basically standing in unity with the overall union.”

“I think there’s gonna end up being a true compromise,” he said.

Parents of high school seniors concerned about deadlines

With college application deadlines rapidly approaching, parents of high school seniors are becoming more concerned with each passing day.

Tina, who asked the Tribune not to publish her last name, has a daughter who is a senior at Lane Tech College Prep.

The strike has hampered her daughter’s ability to submit her college applications, some of which are due as early as Nov. 1.

“Her transcript has not been sent and no one is helping with her college essays,” Tina said. “She asked for teacher recommendations and hasn’t gotten any of those. She couldn’t sleep last night. She was in tears.”

Tina said the current problems that seniors face with applications won’t end once the strike ends, because “every kid will be going to see their counselor once they get back to school,” and students won’t be able to get the prompt support they need for other upcoming deadlines.

Grandmother growing skeptical of CTU, hopes that strike ends soon

Some said they want the two sides to come to a solution so children can be back in class as soon as possible.

Mary Hall’s morning routine has changed since the teachers went to the picket line. The 62-year-old grandmother of three CPS students wakes up, makes a bowl of blueberry oatmeal and watches her 6-year-old granddaughter’s favorite movie.

“I’ve watched ‘Frozen’ so many times, I don’t know what to do with myself.”

When the strike began, Mary Hall said she was in full support of the teachers.

But she has grown skeptical of the union’s motives as negotiations have continued.

“As things progressed, we kept hearing more and more things that were put on the table, and it’s disheartening,” she said.

Hall, who emphasized that she wasn’t siding with the union or Lightfoot, said she’s concerned only with what’s best for the students.

“This is beginning to hurt the children,” she said. “The best interest of the kids is to sit (at) the table and get the kids back to school.”



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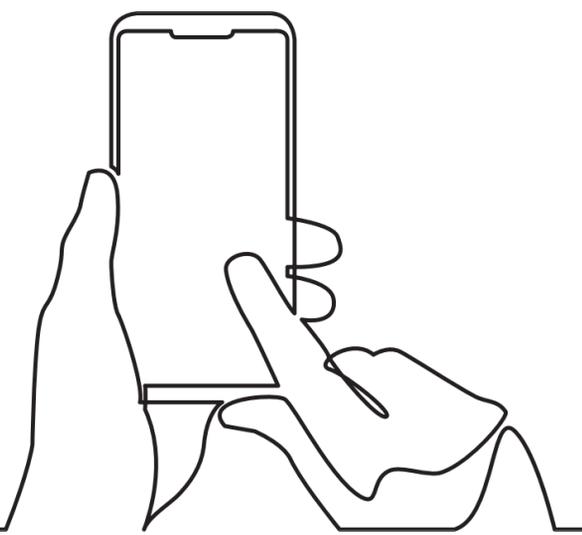
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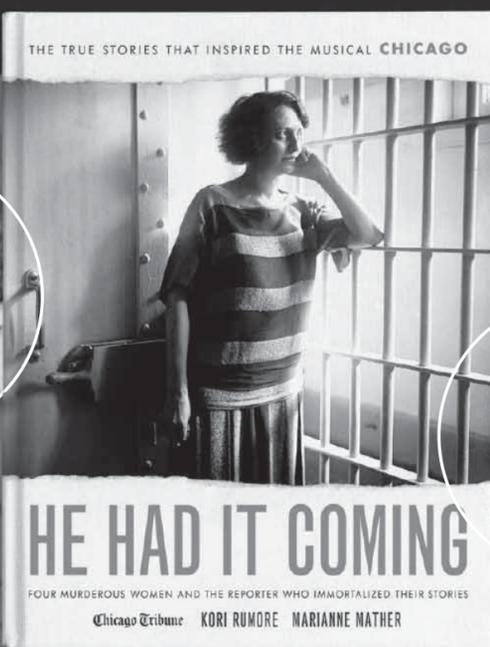


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Chicago police officers attend a graduation ceremony at Navy Pier in 2017.

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ACLU of Illinois, said any further statistical reports by Keys will be put on hold until June.

"The city has committed to make substantial and important changes to how it reports and analyzes pedestrian stops," said Sheley, who expressed cautious optimism that the problems will be corrected by June. "... There must be a constitutional reason for every stop and search before an officer undertakes it."

Beginning in 2016, Chicago police officers had to more thoroughly document every street stop as part of the landmark agreement to try to curb racial profiling and other unconstitutional practices.

All street stops conducted by officers need to be documented in what's known as an Investigatory Stop Report, which has to include details about the officer's reasonable suspicion that a crime was happening or about to happen. Supervisors review the reports and should flag any that fail to justify the stop so that the department can determine if the officer needs retraining or to be disciplined for repeated unconstitutional stops.

"There is a concern that the system in place is creating opportunities for supervisors to cover over when officers have made a mistake about the Constitution and that it might be creating a situation where the focus is on getting the paper right," Sheley said. "We want the paper to reflect what happened in real life. Every one of these stops is a traumatic event for somebody on the street, so we want officers to be able to justify (them), under the Constitution, when they occur."

After reviewing thousands of ISRs, Keys found a sample of nearly 650 of them in which the reports had bounced back and forth between supervisors and officers, opening wide the concern that constitutional issues were being ignored or covered up.

"... Each of these sample illustrations could potentially represent hundreds or even thousands of other ISRs with similar problems," Keys noted in the report.

According to the agreement with the ACLU, the city will work with Keys, the ACLU and policing practices experts in "identifying improvements to the investigatory stop system."

In his report, Keys lauded Mayor Lori Lightfoot's administration for what he called "the sea change" he has seen in the city's level of cooperation since she took office in May.

"The City's new administration has shown remarkable speed and progress in fast-tracking the police reform efforts connected with this Agreement," he wrote.

In a statement, the Chicago Police Department said it "believes good policing and civil rights are not mutually exclusive" while acknowledging that the data from 2017 indicate more improvements can be made.

Current training in the department includes only stopping citizens "based on reasonable suspicion that a crime has been or is about to be committed and in response to calls for service," the department's statement said.

The original settlement agreement was entered into after an ACLU report found that officers in Chicago, at the height of the stops, conducted four times more stop and frisks than New York City and that African Americans were stopped at a disproportionately higher rate.

Thursday's report said the practice continues unabated despite the efforts of the city and the ACLU. About 70% of the street stops were of African Americans, though they make up only about a third of Chicago's residents, according to the report.

The ACLU's Sheley also said the city has agreed "to address the racial disparities in these stops, rather than fight about whether the disparities exist."

In the report, Keys also made some personal observations, in part based on conversations he held with African American residents about their views on police.

He pointed out that three years ago teens regarded Chicago police as "an occupying force, rather than a source of protection, in their neighborhoods."

Keys wrote about one troubling anecdote from a teen who reported being chased in an alley by an unmarked squad car on the

way home from school. When he attempted to flee — after mistaking the officers for civilians — he was struck from behind on his bicycle and knocked to the ground. An officer put a gun to his face as he was searched, he said.

Keys, considered a consultant on the project, conducted new meetings this year with older African Americans, but the conversations continued to trouble him, he wrote.

"Most disheartening to the Consultant, as he listened to these stories, was that, three years after the Agreement's effective date, some participants continued to express the feeling that police officers are not in their neighborhoods to serve and protect them, but to control them," he wrote.

"And that, although there are many crimes being committed in their neighborhoods, they are reluctant to report crimes that they witness, because their distrust of police officers runs so deep. In fact, many of the participants said that, most of the time, they tend to walk rapidly in the opposite direction when a police officer approaches, but they dare not run away, for fear of the consequences of looking suspicious."

Keys, who is himself African American, also offered thoughts on the complex nature of the problem, including how "historically many African American children are taught from a very early age not to consider any police officers as friendly but rather to avoid and fear police officers as being antagonistic to their own best interests."

This, in turn, can lead to behavior — such as running from the officers — that police find suspicious, he wrote.

Keys also dedicated part of his report to efforts the department has made to address this gaping distrust, including with training on "implicit bias."

The former judge urged police to consider the importance of using stop and frisk as a "discretionary law enforcement tool."

"Therefore, sober judgment and discretion in selecting whom to frisk is advised, if the Police Department truly wishes to earn the respect and confidence of community members," he wrote.

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Violence along border mars Syrian cease-fire

Assad regime says Turkish-led fighters attacked its troops

By **BASSEM MROUE**
Associated Press

BEIRUT — Turkish forces and their allies attacked Syrian government troops in northeastern Syria on Thursday, killing some of them, and they also clashed with Kurdish-led fighters, the state news agency in Damascus and a war monitoring group said.

The fighting underscored the risks of violence as multiple and often opposing armed forces jostle for new positions in the tight quarters of the northeastern border zone.

Most worrisome has been the prospect of a collision between forces of the Syrian government and those backed by Turkey, which include Syrian rebel fighters and Islamic extremists opposed to President Bashar Assad.

All sides have said they are abiding by a cease-fire as they implement a Russian-Turkish agreement that divides up the border region. But frictions could undermine the effort for a resolution on the border, which U.S. forces were abruptly ordered to leave earlier this month, allowing Turkey to launch its invasion against Kurdish fighters.

Syria's state-run SANA news agency said Turkish troops and its allied fighters attacked Syrian army positions outside the town of Tal Tamr. The Syrian troops fought back and suffered "martyrs and wounded," it reported without elaborating. Separately, the Kurdish-led Syrian Democratic Forces said three of its fight-



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Turkish-backed Syrian rebel fighters on Thursday took over areas in northeastern Syria as Kurdish forces left several positions along the border with Turkey.

ers were killed in fighting with Turkish-backed forces.

Syrian forces, Russian military advisers and military police are being deployed in a zone 19 miles deep along much of the northeastern border, under an agreement reached Tuesday by Russia and Turkey. They are to ensure that Kurdish fighters leave that area. Then Russia and Turkey are to begin joint patrols along a narrower strip directly on the Turkish-Syrian border.

Turkey is to keep sole control of a large section in the center of the border, most of which it captured in its invasion launched Oct. 9. Turkey wanted to drive the U.S.-allied Kurdish forces out of a "safe zone" along the

border after U.S. President Donald Trump pulled American troops from the area.

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan renewed a threat to resume the military offensive if his country continued to be "harassed" by the Kurdish militia. He also said Turkey would "crush" any Syrian Kurdish fighter its military comes across while trying to secure areas under its control.

"We would never shy away from moving ahead on our path. We would never calculate whether the price to pay on this path would be too high or too low," Erdogan said. He also warned against the possibility of Syrian Kurdish fighters resuming fighting alongside

U.S., Russian or Syrian government forces.

In Brussels, U.S. Defense Secretary Mark Esper lashed out at Turkey, saying its invasion of Syria jeopardizes gains made there as the U.S.-led coalition and allied Syrian Kurdish forces battled the Islamic State group.

"Turkey put us all in a very terrible situation. I think the incursion was unwarranted," he said. "I think President Erdogan was fixated on making this incursion for one reason or another, and there was not a possibility that we were going to start a war with a NATO ally."

The commander of the Kurdish-led force, Mazloum Abdi, said Trump had assured him in a phone call

that American forces will "stay here for a long time and their partnership with Syrian Democratic Forces will continue for a long time." He told journalists that his force and the U.S. were discussing "how to take positions again in some areas of northeast Syria."

Trump has said some U.S. troops will remain in Syria to help the Kurds guard oil fields in the east. The Kurdish fighters captured the main fields from the Islamic State group and since then have helped finance their self-rule by selling the crude, mainly to the Syrian government.

According to U.S. officials, the American troops would not actually "guard" the oil; instead, they would work with the SDF to ensure that

IS doesn't regenerate and also to provide logistical and other support.

The reported attack on Syrian government forces took place at the village of Kozliya on the edges of the Turkish-held zone.

Turkish-backed fighters also captured the nearby village of Manajeer in clashes with Kurdish forces, SANA reported. They battled Kurdish fighters in two other nearby villages, "using heavy weapons," said Mustafa Bali, spokesman for the Kurdish-led SDF. He said the SDF would defend itself.

Turkey has said it is abiding by the halt in fighting but will eliminate any Kurdish fighters still in the zone where the Russian deal gives it direct control.

Use of Pentagon loophole rising in global tech race

Workaround speeds up development of weapons, purchases

By **AARON GREGG**
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WASHINGTON — Hoping to speed up the weapons development process as it competes with China and Russia for technological preeminence, the Pentagon has dramatically expanded its use of an obscure loophole that allows the military to ignore federal acquisition rules designed to protect the integrity of the bidding process.

So-called Other Transaction Authority agreements, or "OTAs" for short, allow defense agencies to sidestep the Federal Acquisition Regulation, a 2,010-page document that government agencies typically have to comply with when they make large purchases.

The provision dates back to the early years of the space race, when NASA was looking to quickly acquire technologies from the commercial technology world. The Defense Department under President Donald Trump has made prolific use of such agreements, citing the need to move

faster in some cases.

The agreements play into a broader national security strategy that is focused on shifting the U.S. military's resources away from fighting terrorism and toward preparing for an all-out war with a so-called near peer competitor such as Russia or China.

The Other Transaction Authority provision is meant to prioritize small businesses or so-called nontraditional defense contractors that don't usually work with the government. But traditional defense contractors can also be eligible when they meet certain criteria, meaning industry giants including Lockheed Martin and Raytheon can benefit as well.

The Army is in the process of using Other Transaction Authority agreements to buy its next fleet of attack helicopters, awarding an initial set of contracts to a handful of companies that include Bell and a Lockheed Martin-Boeing team.

And it also recently finalized a \$384 million deal with Raytheon for six missile defense radars called LTAMDS, designed to replace the Patriot Missile Defense Radar. The new LTAMDS radar is supposed

to have a stronger signal and enhanced accuracy, thanks to the use of a new substance called gallium nitride.

Executives said the alternate process allowed them to significantly speed up the acquisition.

"The streamlined OTA rapid prototyping acquisition process gets capability to the warfighter more quickly," Doug Burgess, program director for Raytheon's LTAMDS radar, said in an email.

A recent report from the Center for Strategic and International Studies found that the Defense Department's use of Other Transaction Authority agreements has increased by about 350% since Trump took office, totaling about \$26.8 billion last year. That activity has been led by the Army, with an 86% increase last year alone.

Defense analysts said such tools could be useful for accelerating the Defense Department's technology. They are favored because they provide a catchall solution to what many regard as a broken acquisition system, analysts said.

"Contractors and the government alike don't really like the (Federal Ac-



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The Defense Department's use of the loophole, known as Other Transaction Authority agreements, has increased 350% since President Donald Trump took office, a report said.

quisition) regulation. It costs money to comply with all of it," said Franklin Turner, a government contracts attorney with the Washington, D.C., law firm McCarter & English. "On the other hand regulations are there for a reason; to ensure full and open competition, to ensure everyone is playing by the rules."

Some analysts are concerned that the Defense Department could overuse the provision.

Dave Drabkin, a defense consultant who chaired the congressionally mandated Section 809 Panel, a group that provides recommendations on streamlining the federal acquisition process,

called the Other Transaction Authority provision an "incredibly important tool" for maintaining the U.S. military's competitiveness.

He said he is worried, however, that Congress could one day take away that tool if the Defense Department uses it inappropriately.

Mandy Smithberger, an analyst with the nonprofit Project on Government Oversight, said there are "a lot of reasons to be skeptical" of such arrangements.

With an OTA contract "there's less transparency, less ability to assess the fairness of pricing, less control over pricing," Smith-

berger said, adding: "I would say that we've seen them used questionably."

In one case from 2018, the Defense Department tried to use an Other Transaction Authority agreement to award a contract with a \$950 million ceiling to an Amazon Web Services partner called Rean Cloud.

Facing criticism and a bid protest from Amazon's rivals, the Pentagon abruptly slashed the maximum value of the contract from \$950 million to no more than \$65 million, and dramatically limited the scope of work. A government auditor later ruled that the Pentagon "did not properly exercise authority granted to it."

Census Bureau projects US population will get older, more diverse

By **MIKE SCHNEIDER**
Associated Press

The U.S. population will grow older and more diverse over the next four decades, according to new Census Bureau projections presented Thursday at a meeting of demographers.

As the U.S. median age increases, there will be a smaller ratio of workers in the labor force able to pay the payroll tax that funds Social Security payments to people of retirement age. In 15 years, the number of

people over age 65 will be larger than the number of children for the first time in U.S. history, according to the presentation at a Southern Demographic Association meeting in New Orleans.

A "demographic tidal wave" is one big reason for the nation's expected aging and the eventual drop in natural population increase from births outpacing deaths. That wave is the Baby Boomers, born between the end of World War II and around the time of

the American invasion of The Beatles.

"The youngest Baby Boomers are 55 and older now, said Allison Plyer, a demographer attending the meeting. "In 10 years, they will be 65 and older, and as those folks pass away over the decades, that's a very larger section of our population reaching an age where they will likely experience mortality," Plyer said.

As the U.S. grows older, it will also become more diverse, with children leading the way. By next year, no

single race group alone will make up more than half of U.S. children, the projections show.

Although non-Hispanic whites currently are a majority in the U.S., their numbers will dip below 50% of the population in 40 years, declining from 199 million next year to 179 million in 2060, the projections show.

"Immigrants do continue to fill in the ranks of working-age population and workforce as the Baby Boomers age," Plyer said. "The most likely people to

replace them will be people of color, particularly Latinos who are already here and have children."

People who identify as two or more races will be the fastest-growing group in the next 40 years, with their population expanding as births outpace deaths.

Other fast-growing groups include Asians, whose growth will be driven by migration, and Latinos, whose growth in the U.S. will be driven by natural increases, according to the projections.

The U.S. is expected to cross the 400 million-person threshold by 2058, as it adds 79 million more people in 40 years, but annual growth will slow down. The U.S. has about 326 million people today.

Population growth, currently 2.3 million people per year, is expected to slow to 1.6 million people a year by 2060.

Growth comes from immigration and from births outpacing deaths, but that natural increase will decline as the nation ages.

Mexico cedes battle to drug cartels

Gangs wield power with government, police constrained

BY MARK STEVENSON
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EL AGUAJE, Mexico — The Mexican city of Culiacan lived under drug cartel terror for 12 hours as gang members forced the government to free a drug lord's son, but in many parts of Mexico, the government ceded the battle to the gangs long ago.

The massive, rolling gun-battle in Culiacan, capital of Sinaloa state, was shocking for the openness of the government's capitulation and the brazenness of gunmen who drove machine-gun mounted armored trucks through the streets.

But in state after state, the Mexican government long ago relinquished effective control of whole towns, cities and regions to the drug cartels.

"They are the law here. If you have a problem, you go to them. They solve it quickly," said a young mother in the town of El Aguaje, in western Michoacan state. El Aguaje is so completely controlled by the Jalisco New Generation Cartel that the young wife of lime-grove worker — who would not give her name for fear of reprisals — can't turn to police: They are too afraid to enter the town.

When a convoy of Michoacan state police made a rare appearance in El Aguaje on Oct. 14, they were ambushed and slaughtered by Jalisco cartel gunmen. Thirteen state police officers were shot or burned to death in their vehicles.

When police returned to recover the burned-out patrol vehicles the next day, they were in such a hurry to accomplish their task that they left behind the crushed, burned, bullet-pierced skull of one of their colleagues lying on the ground.



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A burned-out truck is seen on Oct. 18, one day after battles between gunmen and security forces in Culiacan, Mexico.

In the neighboring town of El Terrero, meanwhile, the rival New Michoacan Family cartel and its armed wing, the Viagras — who control that side of the river — have daubed their initials on houses and lamp posts, and recently burned several trucks and buses to block the bridge and prevent a Jalisco cartel incursion.

In some cases, the government has even defended cartel boundaries, apparently as part of its strategy of avoiding bloodshed at all costs.

In the Michoacan town of Tepalcatepec, police line up every day to man a checkpoint at a highway leading into Jalisco state to prevent an armed incursion by Jalisco cartel gunmen.

The problem is that the government force is working in coordination with a vigilante group allied with a drug cartel. The vigilantes are posted on a nearby hilltop where they can watch over the highway,

armed with .50 caliber sniper rifles.

In Guerrero state, east of Michoacan, soldiers and state police man checkpoints between rival gangs of vigilantes, many of which are allied with drug gangs. Soldiers allow vigilantes armed with assault rifles to roam freely, but not to invade each other's territories.

And in the northern state of Tamaulipas, when the United States began returning asylum-seekers to wait for hearings in Mexico, the government knew it couldn't protect the migrants from the Zetas drug cartel in the border city of Nuevo Laredo and so it simply bused them out of the city. Now known as the Cartel of the Northeast, the former Zetas control Nuevo Laredo so completely that they recently ordered local gas stations to refuse to sell gasoline to army vehicles.

In many regions, cartels enriched by drug profits

have held extensive control for at least a decade, buying off or cowering law enforcement and building huge arsenals, along with networks of informants to protect narcotics routes from the government or rivals.

The cartel grip in Tamaulipas was so firm by 2011 that Zetas gunmen were able to kidnap almost 200 people from passing buses and kill them even as the passengers' unclaimed luggage kept piling up at local bus stations. Nobody reported the crimes for months.

In this context, the government's decision to release drug lord Ovidio Guzman — son of imprisoned capo Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman — after the Culiacan shootout was striking only because the government so publicly dropped even the pretense of enforcing the law.

"It's not unprecedented for Mexican authorities to pick up a major capo and

then release him; that's actually unfortunately too common," said David Shirk, a political-science professor at the University of San Diego. "But what's really unprecedented is to openly acknowledge that the state does not have the capacity or the stomach for keeping a major capo behind bars because of the potential consequences."

"But what message does it send to people who are under the yoke of criminal organizations all over Mexico?" Shirk asked. "I think the message is, 'You're on your own. We're not going to come in and rescue you because you could get killed in the process.'"

The message to soldiers in the Mexican army is also pretty clear: The Defense Department blamed a military squad for the "rushed" operation to arrest Ovidio Guzman that set off the Culiacan gunbattles and pledged to investigate and

punish the leaders of the squad.

President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, who took office less than a year ago, has repeatedly urged military restraint, saying his predecessors' hard-line confrontation strategy in gang-controlled areas "turned this country into a cemetery, and we don't want that anymore."

Earlier this year praised a squad of soldiers for restraint after they were kidnapped and forced to return a .50 caliber rifle seized by a previous patrol. He defended the response to the Culiacan uprising by saying, "The capture of one criminal cannot be worth more than the lives of people. We do not want deaths. We do not want war."

Hence, soldiers are likely to avoid taking any initiative, slide into a passive role and do anything to avoid bloodshed.

And the message to the cartels is clear. "Of course this is a victory for the Sinaloa Cartel, and a defeat for everyone," said Ismael Bojorquez, the director of the Sinaloa newspaper Rio Doce.

Average citizens in many zones, meanwhile, can only hope the most benign cartel comes to rule in their town. The problem is that almost all of the cartels promise to respect the local population and not kidnap them or shake them down for protection money. But all of the gangs eventually break that promise.

It thus becomes a question not of fighting the cartels, but accepting whichever seems the least malign at any given moment. And the gangs appear to be picking up on that message, too.

When the Jalisco cartel left the bodies of 19 members of a rival gang scattered on an overpass in the Michoacan in August, they left behind a banner saying "We are not a threat Beautiful people, go on about your routine."



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Embers skip across a road amid evacuations Thursday in Sonoma County, California.

Evacuations ordered as fire spreads in Calif. wine country

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A fast-moving wildfire, aided by powerful winds, burned through Northern California on Thursday, forcing thousands of residents to evacuate parts of Sonoma County — the rural wine country 75 miles north of San Francisco that is still recovering from a deadly 2017 blaze.

The Kincadee Fire, which started late Wednesday, spread rapidly overnight, burning more than 10,000 acres and growing at a rate of 30 football fields per minute. Authorities were still struggling to fight it Thursday, and the fire remained zero percent contained, according to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

Pacific Gas & Electric, the state's largest utility, told state regulators Thursday that a jumper on one of its transmission towers broke close to where officials say the fire started, near Geyserville.

Although PG&E cut power in the area Wednesday afternoon amid dangerous weather conditions, stretches of the company's high voltage power transmission lines — which were

responsible for the state's deadliest wildfire — were still operating in the area when the fire broke out, the utility said in a statement.

In the report it filed with the California Public Utilities Commission, PG&E said it became aware of the transmission tower malfunction at 9:20 p.m. PDT Wednesday. The fire began at 9:27 p.m., according to Cal Fire.

The Sonoma County Sheriff's Office ordered mandatory evacuations in the area, including the entire community of Geyserville, and shut down several major roads.

"This is not the time to stay," Sonoma Sheriff Mark Essick said at a news conference. "This is the time to go."

As the wildfire torched Sonoma, and others began to spread in San Bernardino and Marin County, Gov. Gavin Newsom railed against the state's three investor-owned power companies, including PG&E — the utility responsible for the state's deadliest wildfire ever.

"I must confess, it is infuriating beyond words to live in a state as innovative and extraordinarily entrepreneurial and capable in the state of California, to be living in an environment where we are seeing this

kind of disruption and these kinds of blackouts," Newsom said, echoing statements he made two weeks earlier when PG&E intentionally shut off power to nearly a million customers in a desperate hedge against wildfire risk.

"It's more than just climate change, and it is climate change, but it's more than that," Newsom said. "As it relates to PG&E, it's about dog-eat-dog capitalism meeting climate change, it's about corporate greed meeting climate change, it's about decades of mismanagement."

"The only consistency has been inconsistency," Newsom wrote in a letter Thursday to the CEOs of San Diego Gas & Electric Co., Edison International and PG&E.

Meanwhile, in Southern California, "extremely critical" fire risk was forecast as strong offshore gusts there, known as Santa Ana winds, will reach 65 mph in parts of Ventura and Los Angeles counties through Friday.

"The fuels and vegetation are critically dry. The expected weather will create an environment ripe for large and dangerous fire growth, especially Thursday and Friday," the NWS forecast office in Los Angeles wrote.

Johnson presses for Dec. 12 election to break Brexit jam

BY JILL LAWLESS
Associated Press

LONDON — British Prime Minister Boris Johnson has abandoned his promise of an October Brexit and pinned his hopes on a December election.

Two days after lawmakers stymied Johnson's latest attempt to pass his European Union divorce deal, he said Thursday that the only way to break Britain's Brexit impasse was a general election. Johnson said he would ask lawmakers to vote Monday on a motion calling a national poll for Dec. 12.

To hold an election Johnson must win a vote — by a two-thirds majority — among lawmakers. That looked like a tough task. Parliament has already dealt Johnson a series of setbacks and derailed his promise to take Britain out of the EU on the scheduled date of Oct. 31 "come what may."

The most recent blow came Tuesday, when lawmakers blocked Johnson's attempt to fast-track an EU divorce bill through Parliament in a matter of days, saying they needed more time to scrutinize the legislation.

Britain's next scheduled election is in 2022. To secure an early election, Johnson needs either to win Monday's vote in Parliament, or lose a no-confidence vote, which opposition parties have refused to call.

The main opposition Labour Party said Wednesday that it would "support a general election when the threat of a no-deal crash-out is off the table." It had no immediate response to Johnson's statement Thursday.

Smaller opposition parties said they wanted an election but were wary of doing it on Johnson's terms.

"The U.K. government



ADRIAN DENNIS/GETTY-AFP

Prime Minister Boris Johnson has vowed the U.K. will leave the EU on terms of the deal he negotiated with the bloc.

has no coherent plan to end the Brexit chaos and a general election will not solve the crisis," said Adam Price, leader of the Welsh party Plaid Cymru.

Johnson said "it is time, frankly, for this Parliament to make way for a new, fresh Parliament that can deliver on the priorities of the British people."

An election can only be held if the EU agrees to postpone the U.K.'s departure to prevent a chaotic no-deal exit. Johnson grudgingly asked for a delay until Jan. 31 on the orders of Britain's Parliament, which wants to avert the economic damage that could come from a no-deal exit.

Though the bloc has not yet given its answer, Johnson said it looked like the EU would grant the delay.

European Council President Donald Tusk has recommended that the other 27 EU nations grant Britain a delay, yet many of the bloc's members are frustrated at Britain's interminable Brexit melodrama. But they also want to avoid the economic pain that would come to both sides from a disruptive British exit.

So they are likely to agree, although politicians in France say President Emmanuel Macron is pushing for a shorter ex-

tension than the three months that Britain has asked for.

Johnson has vowed that, sooner or later, the U.K. will leave the EU on the terms of the deal he negotiated with the bloc.

He said the Dec. 12 election date would give lawmakers more time to scrutinize his bill, because Parliament would be in session until the formal campaign started Nov. 6.

If lawmakers refuse to approve his deal, Johnson hopes an election will deliver a majority for his Conservative Party, enabling him more easily to deliver on his plans.

Meanwhile, U.K. police and politicians have sounded alarms about what could happen in Northern Ireland under Johnson's proposed Brexit deal, with the region's police chief warning that a badly handled divorce from the EU could bring violence back onto the streets.

Police have long warned that if Britain's departure from the EU imposes a hard border between the U.K.'s Northern Ireland and EU member Ireland, that could embolden Irish Republican Army splinter groups who are opposed to Northern Ireland's peace process and power-sharing government.

Graham

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Graham said the House process has been “a star-chamber-type inquiry” and accused Democrats of using it to damage Trump.

“If you can drive down a president’s poll numbers by having proceedings where you selectively leak information, where the president who’s the subject of all this is pretty much shut out, God help future presidents,” Graham told reporters.

Democrats, meanwhile, are looking to make the proceedings public by mid-November as they build a case about Trump pressing Ukraine to investigate former Vice President Joe Biden and his son Hunter while U.S. military aid to the country was being withheld.

After urging House Republicans earlier this week to “get tough and fight,” Trump took to Twitter on Thursday to praise them after about 30 GOP lawmakers stormed the secure room Wednesday.

“Thank you to House Republicans for being tough, smart, and understanding in detail the greatest Witch Hunt in American History,” Trump tweeted. “It has been going on since long before I even got Elected (the Insurance Policy!). A total Scam!”

Rather than attacking the substance of the evidence investigators are accumu-



Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., emphasizes his objections to the House inquiry during a news conference Thursday.

lating, Republicans have focused on asserting that House impeachment proceedings have been secretive and unfair.

With lawmakers from both parties present, House investigators have been questioning diplomats and administration officials behind closed doors for several weeks.

Should the House vote to impeach Trump, both sides would be able to question witnesses in the GOP-run

Senate.

Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., accused Republicans of hypocrisy by claiming they want an open process while the White House defies subpoenas, refuses to surrender documents and tries blocking officials from testifying.

“Rather than stomp their feet in a fit of staged political theater, House Republicans — all Republicans — should join in getting all the facts,”

Schumer said.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., is a leading co-sponsor of the measure. Asked about a vote, McConnell said earlier Thursday that Republicans are “discussing the way forward on that.”

Later Thursday, Graham said 44 of the Senate’s 53 Republicans had co-sponsored the resolution. That included two of the four GOP senators expected to face the most competitive

elections next year: Thom Tillis of North Carolina and Martha McSally of Arizona.

Meanwhile, a Defense Department official who testified in the impeachment inquiry did so in defiance of the Pentagon, which told her not to cooperate. A letter to Laura Cooper’s attorney obtained by the AP cites an administration-wide policy against participating in the impeachment probe.

The directive under-

scores Trump administration efforts to discourage or prevent some executive branch employees from cooperating with House Democrats. The administration this month blocked Gordon Sondland, the ambassador to the European Union, from testifying, though he ultimately did so under subpoena.

The letter cites concerns about whether the House is authorized to conduct an impeachment inquiry without a formal vote and about what it says is a “blanket refusal” to permit Defense Department lawyers from being present for the interviews.

Excluding department lawyers, the letter said, “violates settled practice and may jeopardize future accommodation.”

“To reiterate, the Department respects the oversight role of Congress and stands ready to work with the Committees should there be an appropriate resolution of outstanding legal issues,” reads the Defense Department letter to Cooper’s lawyer, Daniel Levin.

But, it adds, “Any such resolution would have to consider the constitutional prerogatives and confidentiality interests of the co-equal executive branch and ensure fundamental fairness to any executive branch employees involved in this process, including Ms. Cooper.”

The Washington Post contributed.



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Members of the Congressional Black Caucus pause Thursday at the casket of Rep. Elijah Cummings — the first African American lawmaker to lie in state in the U.S. Capitol.

Congress bids tearful farewell to ‘sweet Elijah’ Cummings

BY MATTHEW DALY AND LAURIE KELLMAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Members of Congress bid a tearful farewell Thursday to Rep. Elijah Cummings, hailing the son of sharecroppers as a “master of the House” as the Maryland Democrat became the first African American lawmaker to lie in state in the U.S. Capitol.

Lawmakers eulogized Cummings as a mentor and close friend, with a voice that could “shake mountains,” in the words of Senate Democratic Leader Schumer, and a passion for legislating and his hometown of Baltimore.

“He had a smile that would consume his whole face. But he also had eyes that would pierce through anybody that was standing in his way,” said Republican Rep. Mark Meadows, whose bond with Cummings was among Congress’ most surprising friendships.

“Perhaps this place and this country would be better served with a few more unexpected friendships,” Meadows added. “I know I’ve been blessed by one.”

Cummings’ death at 68

on Oct. 17 saddened many on Capitol Hill accustomed to seeing him with the gavel as chairman of the House Oversight Committee — or zipping by on his scooter between votes. On Thursday, his casket rested in National Statuary Hall for the service and was later moved to a passage in front of the House chamber. The doors were pinned open in his honor as the public filed past.

The chairmanship gave Cummings a sizable role in the impeachment proceedings against President Donald Trump. The two tangled last summer when Trump suggested Cummings pay more attention to Baltimore than investigations.

He never left, friends and family recalled Thursday, even as he tended to duties in Washington.

Another child of Baltimore, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., remembered the man she’s called “sweet Elijah” and said Cummings had been the “North Star” for the Democrats he served alongside.

“He was also the mentor of the House,” she told the friends and loved ones assembled among the statues

in the semicircular room.

Last year when leaders assigned members to committees, Cummings said, “Give me as many freshmen as you can. I love their potential and I want to help them realize it,” Pelosi recalled.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., recalled Cummings’ efforts to calm his native Baltimore amid violent 2015 protests following the death of a black man, Freddie Gray, in police custody.

Cummings’ involvement in the movement, taking to the streets with a bullhorn, helped quiet the disturbances.

“He didn’t just represent Baltimore. He embodied it,” McConnell said. By day, Cummings was at the Capitol in the halls of power, McConnell said, but at night he returned to Baltimore to encourage unity.

“Let’s go home. Let’s all go home,” McConnell recalled Cummings saying at the time. “Now our distinguished colleague truly has gone home.”

House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer, D-Md., recalled that during the protests, Cummings was “a calming influence in a sea of rage.”

Pence admonishes Nike, NBA in China dispute over protests

BY DAVID NAKAMURA
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Vice President Mike Pence on Thursday sharply criticized U.S. companies for “kowtowing” to China’s restrictions on free speech, taking special aim at Nike and the National Basketball Association for “losing their voices” in a dispute with Beijing this month over pro-democracy protests in Hong Kong.

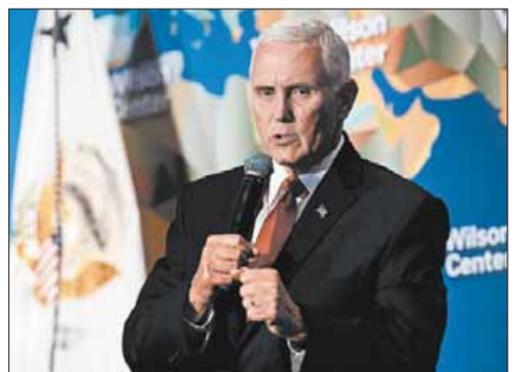
In remarks at the Wilson Center, a prominent Washington think tank, Pence issued a wide-ranging set of criticisms of Beijing’s predatory trade practices, jailing of Muslim minorities and military expansionism. In far stronger terms than President Donald Trump has done, Pence also expressed solidarity with the protesters in Hong Kong, declaring they “have the prayers and admiration of millions of Americans.”

But Pence also took time to upbraid U.S. businesses for compromising American values as a cost of doing business in China by acceding to Beijing’s demand that they refrain from speaking out on political and social issues.

In doing so, he said, China is “seeking to export censorship, the hallmark of its regime.”

“By exploiting corporate greed, Beijing is attempting to influence American public opinion in an attempt to influence public opinion, coercing corporate America,” Pence said. Those corporations follow the “lure of China’s money by muzzling not only criticism of China’s Communist Party but even affirmative expression of American values.”

Turning an eye toward Nike and the NBA, he chastised their response to Chinese pressure to denounce a tweet this month from Houston Rockets General Manager Daryl Morey expressing support



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Vice President Mike Pence speaks on the future of the U.S. relationship with China on Thursday in Washington.

for the demonstrators in Hong Kong.

Trump has feuded with former NFL player Colin Kaepernick, a Nike pitcher, and with NBA superstars LeBron James and Steph Curry over racial issues, to which Pence appeared to allude obliquely.

“Nike promotes itself as a social justice champion, but when it comes to Hong Kong, it prefers checking its social conscience at the door,” Pence said, noting reports that the company had pulled Rockets’ merchandise from stores in China.

Of the NBA, he said some of the “biggest players and owners, who routinely exercise their freedom to criticize this country, lose their voices when it comes to the freedom and rights of the people of China.”

“In siding with the Chinese Communist Party and silencing free speech, the NBA is acting like a wholly owned subsidiary of that authoritarian regime,” he said.

NBA officials did not respond to a request for comment.

This month, Trump also criticized the NBA for its handling of the controversy, though the president did not condemn China for its pressure on the league. A business community

leader in Washington, who spoke on condition of anonymity to frankly assess Pence’s remarks, said, “The problem with Pence doing this is not a lot of what Trump is saying or doing is really reinforcing the notion around the world that the U.S. stands for democracy and human rights and all the rest.”

This business leader noted that Trump has expressed solidarity with some authoritarian leaders and feuded with U.S. allies.

“He spends most of his time hobnobbing with other authoritarians so it rings a little hollow when you hear it from Pence,” the business community leader said.

Pence’s remarks came after months of deliberations within the administration over the timing and tone of his China address.

White House officials had first begun scheduling the address in early June, but it was delayed over fears among some Trump aides that it could adversely affect the administration’s trade negotiations with Beijing.

Last week, Trump announced a partial trade deal with China that he said would build trust to work toward a more sweeping agreement, but the “phase one” pact has yet to be agreed to in writing.

Trump’s NJ golf clubs could lose liquor licenses over fatal crash

BY DAVID A. FAHRENTHOLD
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The state of New Jersey is seeking to revoke the liquor license for one of President Donald Trump’s golf clubs — a rare and potentially damaging punishment, triggered by a 2015 case where the Trump club allegedly overserved alcohol to a man who then caused a fatal wreck.

That proposed punishment was laid out in an Oct.

21 letter to the Trump golf course in Colts Neck, New Jersey.

The Washington Post obtained the letter through a public records request.

The office of New Jersey Attorney General Gurbir Grewal, which sent the letter, declined to comment about the letter. Grewal was appointed in 2018 by Democratic Gov. Phil Murphy.

The letter gives few details about the alleged misconduct by Trump’s course.

The man that the club is accused of over-serving —

Andrew Halder — caused a wreck that killed his own father, Gary Halder. Andrew Halder pleaded guilty to vehicular homicide last year.

Trump’s company was given 30 days to challenge the planned revocation. If the state’s Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control does decide to revoke the license, Trump can challenge that decision in court or try to get it reinstated in two years.

The Trump Organization did not respond to a request

for comment Thursday.

If the club’s liquor license is revoked, that would be a blow for the Colts Neck course, located near the Jersey Shore. The club could lose significant revenue from the two restaurants and a bar it operates for members, and find it hard to attract banquets or golf tournaments from outsiders.

But for Trump, the potential damage is greater than that.

Under New Jersey law, anyone who has one liquor

license revoked must also give up all their other liquor licenses for two years. Trump has two other New Jersey golf clubs, including the one in Bedminster that he uses as a summer White House.

Now, he could be faced with losing a key source of revenue at those clubs too.

The letter sent to the Trump course says that this punishment is related to the club’s actions on Aug. 30, 2015.

On that day, the letter says, the Trump club vio-

lated the terms of its license by serving a man named Andrew Halder when Halder already appeared intoxicated. It also says the club violated its license by selling alcoholic drinks other than beer on carts roaming the golf course itself.

The state’s letter does not give more details about that day. But it says that the Trump club’s actions included “aggravating circumstances” that justified more than the usual punishment.

NEWS BRIEFING

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Fewer US children in foster care; first drop since 2012

NEW YORK — The number of children in the U.S. foster care system has dropped for the first time since 2012, stemming a surge linked to substance abuse by parents, according to new federal data released Thursday.

The annual report from the Department of Health and Human Services counted 437,283 children in foster care as of Sept. 30, 2018, down from about 441,000 a year earlier. The peak was 524,000

children in foster care in 2002. The number dropped steadily to about 396,000 in 2012 before rising as the opioid epidemic and other forms of drug abuse worsened.

The data showed that a record 63,100 children were adopted out of the child welfare system in the 2018 fiscal year, up from 59,500 in 2017. However, the children in foster care waiting to be adopted also increased from 123,754 to 125,400.

Jimmy Carter out of hospital after treatment for fall

ATLANTA — Former President Jimmy Carter is out of the hospital where he was treated after fracturing his pelvis in a fall at his home, a spokeswoman said Thursday.

Carter Center spokeswoman Deanna Congileo said the former president was “looking forward to continuing to recuperate at his home in Plains, Georgia, and thanks everyone for their kind well wishes.”

Carter, 95, fell Monday evening. Congileo had said in a statement earlier that his fracture was minor.

It was the third time Carter fell in recent months. He first fell in the spring and required hip replacement surgery. Carter fell again Oct. 6 and despite receiving 14 stitches, traveled the same day to Nashville, Tennessee, to help build a Habitat for Humanity home.

Beyond spooky: Screening required for haunted houses

SUMMERTOWN, Tenn. — A haunted house that promises an extreme experience that can last up to 10 hours requires participants be medically cleared by a doctor and sign a 40-page waiver.

The McKamey Manor experiences in Summertown and Huntsville, Alabama, also require visitors be at least 18, insured, and pass a background check and drug test.

WFLA-TV reports that

owner Russ McKamey offers thousands of dollars to anyone who completes the tour, but says no one ever has. He records each tour on video — for his own protection he says — and then posts them online, showing participants quitting in humiliation.

It costs just a bag of dog food to enter. The website warns of physically demanding environments, but McKamey says the manor is a mental game.



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Family members carry the coffin of Gen. Francisco Franco out of the Valley of the Fallen mausoleum northwest of Madrid on Thursday so his remains can be relocated.

Spain exhumes Gen. Franco's remains, opening new chapter

MADRID — Turning a momentous page in its history, Spain on Thursday exhumed the remains of dictator Gen. Francisco Franco from his grandiose mausoleum outside Madrid and reburied them in a small family crypt north of the capital.

The daylong operation featured Franco's coffin being flown by helicopter to its new resting place, and the event was broadcast live on television and watched closely across the country. Large parts of the ceremony were carried out in private, however. Spain's Socialist govern-

ment was behind the decision to move the autocrat's remains, saying it wanted to settle a long-standing debt to the nation's victims.

Many in Spain considered the vainglorious Valley of the Fallen mausoleum, which Franco had built for his tomb, to be an insult to the hundreds of thousands of people who died in Spain's 1936-39 Civil War, which Franco's forces won, and to those who suffered persecution under his near-four-decade regime.

The gargantuan shrine exalting a dictator was also considered a smear on Spain's standing as a mod-

ern democratic state.

Many of Franco's victims are buried in unmarked graves in the same mausoleum.

In a statement, Franco's grandchildren said, “the government, aided by other powers of the state and the Church's hierarchy, has completed the profanation of the sepulcher of our grandfather ..., gravely violating our basic rights.”

“What the government presents as a ‘victory of democracy’ is no more than a shameless media circus only seeking propaganda and electoral gains,” they added.

Biden appears to drop opposition to super PAC

WASHINGTON — Joe Biden is apparently dropping his long-held opposition to the creation of an outside group that would supply an infusion of money to benefit his campaign, a recognition that financial struggles are becoming a major problem for his presidential prospects.

Kate Bedingfield, Biden's deputy campaign manager, released a statement Thursday afternoon saying that Biden would reform campaign finance if he is president, but in the meantime, he would open the door to outside money.

The decision could expose Biden to criticism

from his Democratic primary rivals — particularly Sens. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., and Bernie Sanders, I-Vt. — who have made fighting against wealthy political interests a centerpiece of their campaigns. Both have built grass-roots donor networks that have fueled their campaigns.

UK expands probe in truck deaths; victims all from China

LONDON — All 39 people found dead in a refrigerated container truck near an English port were Chinese citizens, British police confirmed Thursday as they investigated one of the country's deadliest cases of human smuggling.

The Essex Police force said 31 men and eight women were found dead in the truck early Wednesday at an industrial park in Grays, a town 25 miles east of London.

A magistrate gave detectives another 24 hours to question the driver, a 25-year-old man from Northern Ireland who has been arrested on suspicion of attempted murder. He has not been charged.

Police in Northern Ireland searched three properties there as detectives sought to piece together how the truck's cab, its container and the victims came together on such a deadly journey.

Democratic field: Rep. Tim Ryan announced Thursday that he is ending his campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination and will run for a ninth term in the House.

Ryan, D-Ohio, who pitched himself as the candidate best poised to talk to working-class people and take back Rust Belt states from President Donald Trump, failed to qualify for the third and fourth Democratic debates. He has a Dec. 11 deadline to file to run for reelection in his Ohio district.

With Ryan's exit, 17 candidates remain in the race for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Ryan was first elected to the House in 2002. He had previously served in the Ohio state Senate.

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EDITORIALS

Why Chicago teachers won't take 'yes' for an answer

Mayor Lori Lightfoot was going to get a strike no matter what. That's the undeniable take-away as 300,000 Chicago school children lose crucial instructional time and athletes miss out on their playoff and college scholarship dreams.

Here's what should infuriate Chicagoans: This strike is about power and relevancy for leaders of the Chicago Teachers Union. It always has been.

How else do you explain this walkout even as Lightfoot continues to offer a generous pay and benefits package while committing to the union's demands for additional support staff, smaller class sizes and a social worker and nurse in every school? The parameters of those arrangements are in writing. Lightfoot bent to most of CTU's key demands.

This strike should be over. Students should be back in their schools. Yet teachers still were marching on sidewalks and street corners Thursday instead of teaching in classrooms. CTU members participated in "civil disobedience training" and planned a rally for Saturday. Union leaders Jesse Sharkey and Stacy Davis Gates in media interviews continued to push the false narrative that Lightfoot was resisting their student-focused contract demands at the bargaining table.

That assertion wasn't true. But in their group-think hive, teachers are failing at the critical thinking skills they so often request of their students. It should be clear now to everyone that the strike is about nothing more noble than a CTU power grab.

From the get-go Lightfoot has given all she can, arguably more than Chicagoans can afford. Yet the teachers won't take "yes" for an answer.

Remember that, Chicago. No matter how this strike ends, it didn't have to start in the first place.

CTU leaders this spring were ginned up to strike. They had endorsed Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle for mayor and dumped nearly \$300,000 into her campaign, even as polls showed Lightfoot surging. Preckwinkle lost resoundingly in the April runoff election. Four years earlier, the union heavily backed Jesus "Chuy" Garcia in his bid to oust then-Mayor Rahm Emanuel. Garcia lost too.

The union's political muscle and relevancy sank. A slate of insurgents who objected to the union's increasingly left-



JOSE M OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Chicago Teachers Union supporters representing schools on the West and Northwest sides gather near Willis Tower on Wednesday.

leaning platform tried to oust Sharkey and Davis Gates in a leadership election in May. The rebels failed to reorient CTU to educational issues. Sharkey and Davis Gates won overwhelmingly. But the challenge exposed divisions in the 25,000-member CTU.

Meanwhile, teachers struck in Los Angeles and Oakland, California, in Denver and in West Virginia. Some charter school teachers in Chicago struck for the first time, even though in some cases the offer from management when teachers walked off the job didn't differ much from the eventual settlement. It was about show of force.

So CTU, too, was going to have its strike. It did, at tremendous cost to the children of Chicago. One week in, and the CTU continues to bargain for more, more, more.

Affordable housing, rent control, homelessness, tax increment financing districts and taxes that hit the wealthy are among

the policy issues CTU leaders are raising at the bargaining table. That's when they show up in good faith. With a by-design unruly bargaining team of 40 CTU members, consensus and efficiency have been elusive, according to the mayor.

Remember, Lightfoot's months-old offer to teachers mirrored what a CTU-approved, independent fact-finder had recommended: 16% raises over five years and a small, almost negligible increase in health care costs. The proposed contract, now upward of \$500 million in additional costs to taxpayers, would bring average teacher pay close to six figures. Nationally, teacher pay on average is closer to \$61,000 annually.

Additionally, CTU keeps pushing for a three-year deal, even though Lightfoot's offer of a five-year contract would protect teachers from the potential damage of a recession and rising health care costs. But CTU, being CTU, wants the shorter contract.

Why? To maintain its relevancy. To guarantee that it has leverage during and after the 2023 mayoral election. To go through this we'll-show-you-who's-boss exercise again, but with more oomph next time.

This is what the strike is about, and this is why taxpayers and especially CPS parents should be outraged.

We'd submit many Chicagoans are. We hear from them. There's a silent majority quietly rooting for Lightfoot, who won every city ward in the April mayoral election, in this strike. But many of those Chicagoans are afraid to be public about their discontent with a labor union. They are afraid of the bullying. They don't want to appear anti-teacher.

But it should be clear that CTU has overplayed its hand. Union leaders ignored a generous offer months ago. They wanted to walk out. So they did, at the expense of the kids.

Remember that, Chicago.

A MINISERIES EPISODE 8

Why a teachers strike is bad for Chicago

The week-old Chicago Teachers Union strike has cleaved Chicagoans into warring camps — those who cheer on the upheaval and those who oppose it. At a time when Chicago faces so many challenges — the endless tide of gun crime, the outmigration that is shrinking school enrollment by thousands of youngsters each year, the public corrup-

tion among pols and their pals, the mediocre jobs climate, the pension crisis that is driving taxes ever higher — a further divided populace is the last thing this city needs.

Many Chicagoans who back striking teachers have gotten swept up by the union's theatrical rallies and anti-Lori Lightfoot vitriol. Other Chicagoans

recognize teachers' contribution to the city and want them compensated fairly, but realize that raising taxes is guaranteed to drive away more businesses, jobs and residents.

Feelings run strong because so much is at stake: the educational growth of the city's children, the damage wrought by so much down time — and city govern-

ment's ability to survive its bleak finances.

Whenever this strike is resolved, Chicago won't necessarily heal any time soon. The wounds grow deeper with each day teachers deprive children of learning. CTU, stop the strike and begin the healing. Take the excellent deal Mayor Lightfoot has offered.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Serious and dramatic impeachment hearings would move the needle on public opinion, tripping it into seriously negative territory for the president. And if the needle moves, the Senate will move in the same direction. But the subject matter will probably have to be bigger than the Ukraine phone call ...

More important will be a text or subtext of serious and consistent foreign policy malfeasance that the public comes to believe is an actual threat to national security. Something they experience as alarming.

It cannot be merely that the president holds different views and proceeds in different ways than the elites of both parties. It can't look like "the blob" fighting back — fancy-pants establishment types, whose feathers have been ruffled by a muddy-booted Jacksonian, getting their revenge. It can't look like the deep state striking back at a president who threatened their corrupt ways.

It will have to be serious and sincere professionals who testify believably that the administration is corrupt and its corruption has harmed the country. The witnesses will have to seem motivated by a sense of duty to institutions and protectiveness toward their country.

And the hearings had better start to come across as an honest, good-faith effort in which Republican members of Congress are treated squarely and in line with previous protocols and traditions.

With all that the needle moves. Without it, it does not.

Peggy Noonan, *The Wall Street Journal*

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“... ‘In 2019, what did we do to make sure we kept our democracy intact?’ ”

— Rep. Elijah Cummings, addressing witness Michael Cohen, former lawyer of President Donald Trump, in February



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Members of Congress and invited guests attend a memorial service for Rep. Elijah Cummings, D-Md., at the U.S. Capitol in Washington Thursday.

Would your actions over Trump impress Elijah Cummings?



ERIC ZORN

In the days since House Oversight and Reform Committee chairman Rep. Elijah Cummings, D-Md., died Oct. 17, I’ve found myself returning again and again to a particular question he raised at the conclusion of a hearing in February.

“When we’re dancing with the angels,” he said, “the question will be asked, ‘In 2019, what did we do to make sure we kept our democracy intact?’ ”

Cummings, whose funeral is Friday in Baltimore, was directly addressing witness Michael Cohen, former lawyer and confidant of President Donald Trump, but indirectly speaking to all of us.

Whether you believe in a final, spiritual judgment or

just the judgment of history as applied by your descendants, how will you account for what you said and did when a reckless, ignorant, thoroughly dishonest president degraded our standing in the world, flouted the Constitution and threatened the institutions that keep power in check?

Did you enable him by cheering his assaults on freedom of the press, excusing his thousands of lies as mere jokes or exaggerations and forgiving his embrace of the world’s most evil tyrants?

Did you make excuses for him by offering misleading comparisons to isolated acts of mainstream political figures?

Did you buy into and advance the notion that the impeachment process was somehow unfair or even unconstitutional and that career Republicans and other public servants who stood up to Trump were “human scum”?

Did you maintain a discreet, uncomfortable silence

at his trampling of norms and values because tax cuts and the appointment of conservative judges were worth it to you?

Did you simply find yourself so overwhelmed, depressed and numbed by the daily outrages delivered by Twitter and celebrated by Fox News that you did your best to tune it all out and focus on other matters?

Or, regardless of party or political philosophy, did you say, as Cummings said during his eight-minute, off-the-cuff address to Cohen, “We are better than this. We really are. As a country, we are so much better than this”?

Did you speak up and speak out?

Did you refuse to accept as “the new normal” a foul-mouthed, impulsive, mendacious cartoon villain of a president whose only advantage for Republicans over a conventional, well-behaved conservative is that he ginned up so much outrage on the left?

Did you remain true to the

principles and values you espoused in, oh, say, 2011 when the idea of Trump as president was a laugh line at the White House Correspondents Dinner?

Did you refuse to fall victim to Trump fatigue and call out warnings when each new line was crossed? When the White House thumbed its nose at congressional oversight authority? When Trump branded a clause in the Constitution “phony” because it prevents him from making a buck off the presidency? When Trump declared victory after our humiliating and destructive betrayal of the Kurds in Syria?

No matter how this all turns out or who’ll do the asking, someday we’ll all have to answer the 2019 question.

Meanwhile, speaking of good rhetorical questions, here are a few more words to which I’ve recently found myself returning again and again — a passage from Democratic presidential hopeful Bernie Sanders’ speech at a campaign rally in

New York City last Saturday:

“Are you willing to stand together and fight for those people who are struggling economically in this country? Are you willing to fight for young people drowning in student debt even if you’re not? Are you willing to fight to ensure that every American has health care even if you have good health care? Are you willing to fight for frightened immigrant neighbors even if you are native born? Are you willing to fight for a future for generations of people that have not even been born but are entitled to live on a planet that is healthy and habitable?”

I have mixed feelings about Sanders. Parts of his agenda are too far left even for me, and I worry about his electability in an election where moderate, swing voters will be so important. But, like the late Elijah Cummings, he certainly does ask the right questions.

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Miserly shuttle schedule can’t fill in for O’Hare ‘people mover’

BY JON HILKEVITCH

The O’Hare “people mover,” also known as the train from the economy parking lots, has been out of commission all year as it’s renovated and extended in a \$310 million project. As anyone who uses these lots knows, that’s a problem.

The projected reopening of the light rail line has been pushed off several times, leaving passengers dependent on abysmal shuttle bus service as a substitute. The most recent bad news came in bad-news dump last Friday by Chicago Aviation Commissioner Jamie Rhee, who said the people mover would not be operating in time for the holidays and to check back sometime in 2020.

Construction can be difficult, but it appears the city and its main contractor, Parsons Construction Group, are having an especially tough time ensuring the safety and reliability of the new driverless, automated train system. And granted, shuttle buses were never going to be as speedy as the train. But better

planning could have significantly eased the pain for the 30,000 daily economy parking lot users who can’t afford or justify spending \$40 a day to park near the terminals in O’Hare’s main parking garage.

Now, the Chicago Department of Aviation should step up and simply make sure there are enough buses to meet passenger demand.

It’s not a complex mathematical riddle in which “X,” the number of cars parking at the economy lots, and “Y,” the number of travelers, are unknowns. The city and its shuttle bus contractor have the data.

The underwhelming infrequency of shuttle bus service has left thousands of passengers a day stranded for unacceptably long waits at economy parking lots and curbside outside airline terminals. And that’s once arriving travelers even figure out where to queue up for buses going to the parking lots, because signage is nonexistent almost until you finally stumble upon the bus waiting areas.

During numerous trips this year, I’ve had to cool my heels for up to a half-hour waiting for an O’Hare shuttle bus in economy parking lots E, F, G and H. In some cases, shuttle buses that did eventually show up were already packed to crush-loads and could not take on another soul.

I routinely asked drivers why more buses were not being put into service to match the need. Do Aviation Department supervisors not know that people with luggage and children in tow feel as if they are waiting for Godot?

City officials have said the shuttle buses cost about \$85,000 a day to operate and constitute a “robust network.”

“Oh, sir, there are plenty of buses,” a shuttle driver informed me last week in Economy Lot E. At the same time, she was shouting to a family waiting hopefully outside the bus with a double stroller to “stand back!” because there was no room for them and she was closing the door.

“We have a driver on break,” the driver offered as an excuse as



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Travelers prepare to board shuttles at O’Hare in May. The buses are running in place of the “people mover,” which is out of commission.

she floored the gas pedal, leaving the family in the bus’s exhaust. “More buses will be coming soon. It’ll all be fine.”

I could not resist politely taking another crack at asking the driver why her supervisors, who don’t see what the drivers on the front-line experience daily, haven’t been collecting feedback and implementing changes to solve the obvious bus shortage.

Before the driver could respond, another passenger blurted out that if I was dissatisfied with the free bus service, maybe I

should walk to my plane.

Fasten your seat belts, flyers. The Thanksgiving and Christmas travel season is already shaping up to be less than the world-class experience that passengers are promised at O’Hare. If that will be the case this winter, could the city at least spring for some hot chocolate machines for travelers waiting at the bus stops?

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Insult women with sexism and get a kick in the wallet

BY JOANNE CLEAVER

Sexism is getting expensive. Investing icon Ken Fisher made a swan dive into a pool of egg salad at a recent invitation-only financial summit. He compared the process of gaining a client's trust with "trying to get into a girl's pants" and talked about genitalia.

He admits it. He has said the same at previous conferences. And now he's finding out that major financial brands like Fidelity and taxpayer-accountable state pension funds don't want him handling their money anymore. More than \$2 billion has been pulled from Fisher Investments since the summit.

Plenty of investment firms will gladly take the billions that won't touch Fisher anymore. His entire industry is in a perpetual froth trying to figure out what women want, in terms of financial advice, and how to provide it. Fisher just made his competitors' lives easier.

Meanwhile, the accounting and business services firm EY, formerly known as Ernst & Young, was embarrassed as news came out that it had women on track for partnership take a "training course" to make sure they strap down their personalities and lady parts in the name of making plenty of room for men to be men. The hapless external consultant who ran the session told attendees that women's brains are like pancakes, in that they absorb information in a free-flowing way, while men's brains reliably compartment-



JONATHAN FICKIES/BLOOMBERG 2010
Ken Fisher, founder, chairman and chief executive officer of Fisher Investments, has come under fire and lost business for crass remarks he made about women.

talize information in little squares, like waffles — and like spreadsheets.

As the ridicule and outcry crested, the company slapped its own wrist and pledged to take a hard look at how it develops female talent.

Plenty of CPA firms with successful women's talent development programs are happy to leverage EY's blunder. Corporate clients want to work with financial advisers that share the same values, not to subject their own up-and-coming female managers to dealing with an expensive contractor that can't tuck its condescension to women.

Finally, conservative Christian pastor John MacArthur used another Christian — popular speaker Beth Moore — as a

punchline at a "Truth Matters" conference. A sycophant sharing the stage asked MacArthur what he thought of Moore. "Go home," MacArthur said, to raucous laughter. His view is that women who are both Christian and feminist are not actually pursuing gender equality but grasping for power.

Churches are like other organizations. They need to compete to attract and retain an audience. Fewer people are buying into traditional Christianity — the Pew Research Center just released findings that 65% of Americans consider themselves Christian, down from 77% a decade ago. Women typically are the most active members and should be respected for their contributions and valued as leaders.

In the past week, women have found out what some of these big organizations that want their money, talent and souls really think of them. And the perpetrators are feeling some pain.

That's good. They need to feel the ripples of loss from disdaining women, without whose support they will wither.

Money, talent and souls. Investors, workers and believers.

American women are redefining themselves from commodities, consumers and churchgoers to change agents. Some organizations are now experiencing the early stress fractures. Brace for more. The facade won't hold. The dam is about to break.

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

How is strike all about the kids?

As I miss work and sit at home with five Chicago Public Schools kids (two of mine and three from neighbors), I have a question: How will giving teachers a 16% raise help with all the problems that enter their classrooms each day, like poverty, crime and single-parent households?

If counselors and nurses and housing are more the real issue, then that 16% should be used to help address those problems, and everyone could get back to school.

The teachers are already among the highest-paid in the country, so I question when they say this is all about the kids.

— Melissa Stevens, Chicago

Keep the taxpayers in mind too

As a taxpayer, may I suggest that all parties involved in the negotiations for contracts for teachers, support staff and Park District workers respect the necessity for a proper budget designed to protect us taxpayers.

— Edwina Jackson, Chicago

Hypocrisy, not sincerity

When President Donald Trump lashed out at the impeachment process as a "lynching," the expected criticisms over racial overtones dominated the news. This is the same crowd that takes offense when the proper term "illegal alien" is used, insisting instead on "undocumented immigrant."

This reaction also mirrors those who take offense at a cartoon depicting Muslims but say nothing about the millions of Muslims herded into reeducation camps in China.

Then there is the #MeToo movement, silent on the treatment of women in the Middle East. Consider that the NBA took a stand against North Carolina's bathroom law by moving its 2017 All-Star Game elsewhere, but the same league goes out of its way not to offend China for its trampling of free speech in Hong Kong.

There is not a whole lot of sincerity on display here — only a lot of politics from these politically correct, ill-informed voices.

— Tony Blasco, Lemont

Zero thought in zero-tolerance idea

This zero-tolerance idea is one of the most idiotic that various institutions, including many school districts, have ever adopted.

Why? Because the policy requires zero thought. But it can lead to irrational decision-making; lazy one-size-fits-all punishment, regardless of the impact or nature of the infraction; and extreme and unfair outcomes with no due process, in which there is no opportunity to put a matter into context.

On top of that, there is no significant evidence to show that such policies even work, but there is evidence to show they can have unintended consequences for students, teachers, families and communities, and that they have a disproportionately negative impact on minorities.

Last week, a Wisconsin high school security assistant, who was helping escort a student off school grounds for pushing an assistant principal, was fired for using the N-word because there was a zero-tolerance policy for using racial slurs in the school district.

Why did the security assistant, an African American with 11 years of service, use the N-word once? Because he was asking the student to stop calling him the N-word.

Zero-tolerance policies target weapons; the use of profanity, racial slurs, sexual innuendo and cellphones; bullying; disruptive behavior; line cutting; fighting; and even gum chewing. A nail clipper has been considered a weapon just like a gun and has led to expulsion.

How can institutions not take into account the seriousness of the behavior, the scope of the impact, the history of the person's behavior, the intent of the individual and the context of the situation?

For those of you who create and enforce zero-tolerance policies, seriously consider this: What if your child or you did something once and were not given any opportunity to be heard and instead were automatically punished and had to just live with the consequences?

— Bruce Handler, Highland Park

Routine caution is sorely missed

Since the law was passed that cars must wait for pedestrians to cross in crosswalks, pedestrians have consistently ignored the age-old advice we were given as kids: "Stop at the corner and look both ways before crossing the street."

This was part of our DNA growing up. Now pedestrians just keep going from the sidewalk to the street, often watching their cellphones instead of the oncoming traffic. I consider this a backward trend.

Along with "Don't be a Litterbug," I believe it is time to return to "old-fashioned" values.

— Nancy Baum, Chicago



Turkish Defense Minister Hulusi Akar joins a group photo of defense ministers at NATO headquarters in Brussels on Thursday.

Trump's withdrawal from Syria shook the ground under NATO

BY IVO DAALDER

When Turkey decided to invade Syria this month, President Donald Trump got out of the way. "Let someone else fight over these bloodstained sands," he explained. That proved a consequential decision — and not just for the Kurds who had fought alongside U.S. troops against Islamic State and now were left to face a much superior military force on their own. It also deeply unsettled the NATO alliance that has bound Turkey and the United States together for decades.

Earlier this week, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo framed the withdrawal of U.S. troops from Syria as a decision "to avoid a kinetic conflict with a NATO ally." How did we get to this point, where the administration believed it faced the stark choice of going to war with an ally or getting out of its way?

A big part of the answer lies with Turkey. Never an easy ally, Ankara has in recent years put a real strain on its alliance with the United States and other NATO countries.

At home, Turkey has taken steps that raised questions about its commitment to democracy and the rule of law, which are foundation stones of the trans-Atlantic alliance. President Recep Tayyip Erdogan has emerged as a strong leader, who, in the wake of an unsuccessful coup attempt in 2016, tightened his hold on power by suppressing dissent, jailing journalists and opposition leaders, purging the judiciary, and cracking down on the military — all of which has put Ankara at serious odds with its NATO partners.

Abroad, Turkey has also acted in ways that call into question its commitment to NATO. Erdogan has forged a strong, per-

sonal bond with Russian President Vladimir Putin. The Turkish president signed agreements with Moscow to build four nuclear reactors and, over strong U.S. and NATO objections, he insisted on buying a sophisticated Russian air and missile defense system. Once operational, these S-400 interceptors could pose a threat to the newest generation of U.S. combat aircraft and weaken NATO's integrated air defenses that help protect Turkey.

In befriending Putin, with whom he meets regularly, Erdogan appears unfazed by the fact that the Russian president hardly has Ankara's best interests at heart. Moscow has long sought to divide NATO allies against each other, which Erdogan's embrace of Putin only furthers. Putin's invasion of Ukraine and illegal annexation of Crimea threaten the region's stability, on which Turkey's security ultimately depends. And Russia's military support of Syria has strengthened President Bashar Assad's hold on power even though Erdogan had long supported his ouster.

But none of this appears to matter to Erdogan, whose singular preoccupation (aside from consolidating power) has been what he views as the Kurdish existential threat to Turkey. Ankara maintains that the Kurdish forces in Syria are an offshoot of the Kurdistan Workers' Party, a violent insurgent group inside Turkey that has been designated as a terrorist organization by both the United States and Turkey. Removing this Kurdish threat from the border has been Ankara's goal for years. Turkey's invasion, followed by Tuesday's agreement with Russia to create a 20-mile buffer zone along the border, has done just that.

Turkey's military assault has been widely condemned by its NATO partners.

Some have even called for its ouster or suspension from the alliance, although there are no mechanisms for bringing that about. European allies swiftly imposed an arms embargo, while outrage in the U.S. Congress led to the imposition of sanctions.

The broad condemnation of Turkey raises profound questions about the future of a military alliance that operates on the basis of consensus. Yet, what truly threatens the future of NATO is less Turkey's latest provocation than the fact that it was enabled by Trump's sudden decision to withdraw U.S. forces standing in the way of that action.

Washington has long sought to address Ankara's security concerns, even acting as de facto peacekeepers and jointly patrolling the border with Turkish troops. Now, Trump suggested that the issue was for Turkey to resolve on its own, which it did by invading Syria. In so doing, it left the Kurds to fend for themselves.

It is in abandoning the Kurds that the real threat to NATO resides. For the message is clear: When it comes to the defense of its allies, the United States is now more likely to get out than stay for the fight. Erdogan could have been dissuaded from military action if U.S. forces had remained rather than been ordered to withdraw, as he had in previous instances. But Trump chose to step aside.

NATO rests on the core idea that an armed attack against one will be regarded as an armed attack against all. That idea has now been dealt a serious blow. Whether it's fatal, only time will tell.

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The United Airlines Bombardier CRJ-550 regional jet at Chicago O'Hare International Airport on Thursday in Chicago.

Welcome aboard

United shows off new regional jet, with fewer seats, extra space for luggage

BY LAUREN ZUMBACH

Regional flights usually mean cramped quarters and a race to board before all the overhead bin space is claimed, forcing stragglers to check bags at the gate.

The experience on the newest small aircraft in United Airlines' fleet, the Bombardier CRJ-550, will be a little different.

The plane has the same frame as the Bombardier CRJ-700, which seats 70. But United pulled out 20 seats to create more space for first-class travelers and amenities, like a self-service snack bar and extra luggage storage.

United wants to make a regional flight feel a little more like a standard flight between big cities, said Ankit Gupta, the airline's vice president of network planning and scheduling. With the new aircraft, a traveler paying for a premium ticket can sit in first or business class on a short connecting flight from a small city to a hub like O'Hare International Airport.

United, American Airlines and Delta Air Lines all have a handful of first-class seats on larger, 70-seat regional aircraft. But smaller 50-seat regional jets on those carriers typically only let travelers upgrade to coach seats with extra legroom.

The 10 first-class passengers on United's CRJ-550 get 42 inches of seat pitch, the distance from one point on a seat to the same spot on the seat in front of it. That's five inches more than a first-class passenger gets on the CRJ-700, and a full foot more than a coach passenger on either plane, though you'll still need to duck under the overhead bins to get in the seat.

Travelers in first class also can use the self-service snack bar near the aircraft door, stocked with packages



United First Class seating includes 10 19 3/4" width seats.



Self-serve snack shelves and cases with a variety of options in the new United Airlines Bombardier CRJ-550.



Extra large luggage racks for all passengers are used to divide the United First Class seating from the United Economy Plus and United Economy seating areas.

of cheese and crackers, kettle chips, pretzels, Albanese gummy bears and soft drinks.

The remaining 40 seats on the CRJ-550 are split between standard coach and seats with extra leg-

room. A CRJ-700 has 48 coach seats, 16 with extra legroom and six in first class.

The CRJ-550 also has four luggage closets for extra carry-on storage, meant to make sure passengers don't get stuck checking

their bags at the gate if overhead bins fill up. Between the overhead bins and lockers, there should be enough space for every traveler to bring a rolling carry-on, said Sarah Murphy, senior vice president of United Express.

"We want to make travel easy and less stressful," she said.

That doesn't mean United is going to make every regional jet more spacious. Flying with 20 fewer passengers increases United's costs by between 5 and 10% compared with the 70-seat version of the aircraft, Gupta said.

The airline is introducing it in smaller cities that still have a sizable business community.

"It's not for every city, but people will start to see it more and more," he said.

The initial destinations from Chicago are Allentown and Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Bentonville, Arkansas; Cedar Rapids and Des Moines, Iowa; Cincinnati and Columbus, Ohio; Grand Rapids, Michigan; Greensboro, N.C.; Indianapolis, Indiana; Madison, Wisconsin; Oklahoma City and Tulsa, Oklahoma; Richmond, Virginia; and St. Louis, Missouri.

United said it plans to add flights between additional cities and its Newark and Washington, D.C. hubs in the coming weeks.

Scott Solombrino, executive director of the Global Business Travel Association, said he thought more space for first class would appeal to companies that are putting more emphasis on employees' experience when traveling for work.

When the economy is doing well and unemployment is low, "they don't want people leaving because they don't like the travel policy," he said.

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Illinois Tech to receive \$150M gift

Donation called the biggest in school's history

BY ALLY MAROTTI

The Illinois Institute of Technology is getting a \$150 million donation from 10 longtime business leaders who want to boost Chicago's tech standing.

The university is calling it the biggest combined gift in its history, and will use it to fund scholarships, renovations of student life facilities, and to better train students for Chicago's technology jobs.

"When we look at Chicago trying to become really a destination for the tech industry, one of the key parts of that is that there's a workforce here that is educated and able to join them right away and make a difference," said Alan Cramb, university president.

The top three donors, who gave a combined \$80 million, are Mike Galvin, Craig Duchossois and former Exelon chairman and CEO John Rowe. The other seven donors wish to remain anonymous, Cramb said.

Galvin, who is chairman of the school's board of trustees and runs portfolio management firm

Galvin Enterprises, is the son of longtime Motorola executive Robert W. Galvin and grandson of Paul Galvin, a founder of Motorola. Robert Galvin joined forces in 1996 with Robert Pritzker and Jay Pritzker to give a then-record-setting \$120 million to the school.

Rowe and Duchossois are university regents, or the highest level of trustees. Duchossois is CEO and chairman of holding and investment company The Duchossois Group, and the son of 98-year-old horse-racing magnate Richard Duchossois.

The private, technology-focused research university offers degrees in engineering, computer science, business, law and more.

The donation will allow the university to train all students, regardless of major, to better use data to make decisions, and understand computer science and artificial intelligence, Mike Galvin said.

"There is no field anymore that doesn't require an understanding and a capacity ... for data analytics, data creativity and data decision-making," he said.

The university has

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Online retailer Amazon acquires health company

Health Navigator founded, led by Chicago doctor

BY LISA SCHENCKER

Amazon has acquired a health care company founded and led by a Northwestern Memorial Hospital doctor, marking the e-commerce giant's latest foray into health care.

Amazon bought Health Navigator, a company that supports medical providers, including those who offer virtual care, by using technology to automate certain parts of the process.

The company's founder and CEO is Dr. David Thompson, who's described on Health Navigator's website as a part-time faculty attending physician in the Northwestern Memorial Hospital emergency department. Thompson did not respond to requests for comment Thursday.

Terms of the deal were not disclosed.

Health Navigator describes itself on its website as a "one-of-a-kind, digital, diagnostic system" that can improve virtual health experiences by providing "accurate and efficient symptom checking." It can also be used by medical call centers, where non-clinical workers take the first call from a patient, deciding where to send the patient next.

The company offers a tool that can recognize a patient's written complaints. The tool is designed to act much like a doctor would when listening to a patient describe symptoms.

It also offers a health "bot" that, through chat, can ask a patient questions and then interpret the answers to recommend next steps for care. Additionally, it boasts a "diagnosis symptom checker" that can generate a list of possible causes for a symptom based on a patient's response.

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Lyft to add more than 220 jobs in Chicago, create new drivers' center

Ride-share company to open service area along Kennedy Expressway



RYAN ORI
On Real Estate

Ride-share company Lyft plans to add more than 220 full-time jobs in Chicago, where it will open a service

center for drivers along the Kennedy Expressway and broadly expand the Divvy bike-share program.

San Francisco-based Lyft has about 100 employees in Chicago now, and plans to hire more than 200 employees for its Divvy bike business within the next three years, said Elliot Darvick, who leads the Chicago office and Midwest region for Lyft.

The company also plans to create 20 jobs to run a 23,000-square-foot drivers' center at 1020 N. Elston Ave., in the Goose Island neighborhood.

The facility, Lyft's first in Chicago, will offer discounted oil changes and car repairs for its drivers, as well as car inspections and office staff to assist with paperwork. Lyft has similar facilities in San Francisco and Philadelphia.

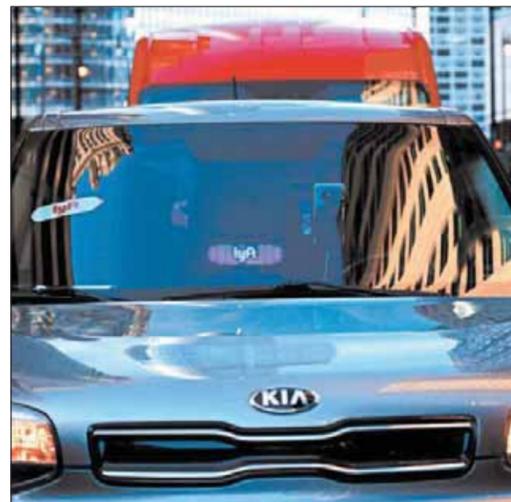
"Treating drivers well has been at the center of our brand from day one," Dar-

vick said. "Building this drivers' center is just an extension of that ethos."

The facility will open by early 2020, he said. The building was chosen because of its central location in the city and its proximity to the expressway and downtown, Darvick said.

Lyft got its start in Chicago with one employee six years ago, and in 2017 it opened a Chicago office and resource center for drivers along the Kennedy in the

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A Lyft rideshare in the Loop on October 18.

Helmut Jahn-designed tower to begin construction by December

BY RYAN ORI

Chicago's biggest condominium project since the recession will be under construction by December, and the Helmut Jahn-designed skyscraper will open within three years, its developers said Thursday.

A groundbreaking event Thursday by developers Time Equities, JK Equities and Oak Capitals was ceremonial. Actual construction will be underway soon on 1000M, the 421-unit condo tower at 1000 S. Michigan Ave., Time Equities chairman and CEO Francis Greenburger said.

The \$470 million project is within a month of finalizing the first of two rounds of construction financing led by Goldman Sachs, according to the developers. Greenburger declined to say how much they plan to borrow for the project.

1000M will be the largest condo tower by number of units launched in the city since the last recession. The 832-foot-tall tower also would be the tallest Jahn-designed building in Chicago, where the architect is based. It is expected to take 28 to 36 months to build, he



JAHN ARCHITECTS

1000M, a 421-unit condo tower designed by Helmut Jahn would be built near the south end of the Historic Michigan Boulevard District.

said.

Construction is starting with a relatively small percentage of units claimed. There are contracts to purchase 97 units, or about 23% of the planned condos, according to the developers. Of those, 38 units are from 1000M's International Collection, micro-units with luxury finishes — a concept new to Chicago but com-

mon in Europe and Asia.

Greenburger conceded it's late in the construction cycle to launch a major development, particularly amid talk of another recession, but said the development team is undeterred. "Building something like this is not something you wake up one day and do," he said. "It takes a long, long time, and you have to be

prepared to go through different cycles. Who knows what's going to happen with the economy? We all know it's flashing red lights.

"But our business plan allows us to weather whatever the environment is, because we look at this as a long-term project."

The Tribune earlier this month reported on the expected groundbreaking, but the exact construction timeline and other details of the project were unknown at the time.

The developers bought the site for \$172 million in April 2016.

The sheer size of the project — the tallest tower in the iconic row of skyscrapers on South Michigan Avenue — and the time it has taken to break ground have led to questions about 1000M's viability.

"There are probably 50 different models in Helmut's office, and hundreds of pages of sketches, before we arrived at the final design," Greenburger said. "If you're going to build a box, fine. But if you're trying to build something sophisticated, these things take time."

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Two Southwest Airlines Boeing 737-8 MAX jets sit near a Southwest Airlines hanger at Midway Airport in Chicago on March 13.

Southwest CEO: Boeing airliner looking at Airbus

Associated Press

DALLAS — Southwest Airlines has had an all-Boeing fleet since it began flying 48 years ago, but that could change.

CEO Gary Kelly said Thursday that the company's board has directed him to look at getting planes from other aircraft makers, which would almost certainly be Boeing's European rival, Airbus.

Kelly made the comment while discussing Southwest's third-quarter results. Profit rose 7% to \$659 million despite taking a \$210 million hit in operating income from the grounding of its Boeing 737 Max jets.

Southwest shares rose more than 5% in midday trading.

Dallas-based Southwest has been forced to cancel thousands of flights since March, when the plane was grounded after two crashes in Indonesia and Ethiopia killed 346 people.

"We put our future in the hands of Boeing and the Max and were grounded," Kelly said on CNBC.

Boeing said this week that it still expects approval this year from the Federal Aviation Administration for changes it is making to flight software and computers on the Max. Kelly said "everything has to go pretty perfectly" for Boeing to hit that target. Southwest

has taken the Max out of its schedule until early February.

Kelly said earlier that Southwest is in discussions with Boeing about compensation for damages. He gave no details on the talks. Southwest has 34 Max jets and expected to have about 40 by year-end.

Strong travel demand and rising ticket prices are helping Southwest offset its Boeing issues.

Southwest Airlines Co. reported third-quarter profit of \$1.23 per share. That easily topped Wall Street expectations for \$1.09, according to a survey by Zacks Investment Research.

Revenue rose 1% to \$5.64 billion despite a 2.9% reduction in passenger-carrying capacity due to the Max grounding. The revenue was in line with analysts' expectations.

The average fare rose 1.7% to \$155.95. A closely watched figure, revenue for each seat flown one mile, rose about 4%. Southwest predicted it will be flat to up 2% in the fourth quarter.

Southwest expects that passenger-carrying capacity in the fourth quarter will be as much as 1% below the same period last year, an unusual trend at an airline that has grown rapidly through much of its history.

Southwest shares closed Thursday up \$3.05, or 5.7%, at \$56.29.

CEO: Honda's aviation unit evolving

BY EMERY P. DALESIO
Associated Press

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Nearly four years after delivering its first jet, Honda is facing decisions as the company better known for cars and lawn mowers considers whether to sink billions more into its decades-in-the-making aircraft division.

Honda Aircraft CEO Michimasa Fujino said that a current plant expansion aimed at improving efficiency is part of the aviation division's long-term strategy and should also slightly increase production of the seven-seat, \$5.2 million HondaJet Elites.

"We are looking at this aviation business long-term, not quarterly or annual basis," Fujino said at the company's Greensboro, North Carolina, headquarters. "Our goal is to create new value and new technology as a personal mobility company."

But amid environmental concerns about the impact of hydrocarbons burned by jets, fears of a possible global recession and declining profits that have led Honda to retrench its automobile offerings, analysts say the Tokyo-based corporation faces decisions about how much to build its aircraft division.

Whether Honda expands, maintains its current footprint or even scraps its aircraft division is "very much their choice," said Richard Aboulaifa, an aerospace analyst at Teal Group.

It would cost Honda bil-



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Honda employees work on HondaJet Elites at the unit's headquarters in Greensboro, N.C.

ions of dollars to expand into a family of light jets or establish a sales and support network to match competing jet-makers, Aboulaifa said. But such a move would be necessary for growth in an industry where — much like automakers offer models in different sizes and prices — wealthy customers who like Honda's planes may want to buy something nicer, said aviation business analyst Brian Foley, who thinks Honda could announce a new model soon.

"In this industry, you need to have a step up for customers. Just like boat owners, airplane owners — when they're ready to trade

in and move up — do that. They move up. They don't move laterally," he said. "So since HondaJet doesn't have a move-up airplane from the current Honda jet that would force the customer to have to jump over into a competitor's airplane."

The company is recruiting engineers with expertise in wing, fuselage and systems design, which indicates they could be developing new models, Foley said.

Meanwhile, Honda reported a 29% profit decline in the quarter ending in June and lowered its profit forecasts for the fiscal year. In May, the company an-

nounced it would streamline its auto product offerings, consolidating model variations, and increase parts-sharing to cut costs. The warning signs come as Honda has invested billions in the past year in General Motors' autonomous vehicle unit as automakers look to the future.

On the plus side for its planes, Honda has deep pockets, a history of long-term planning and has stuck with the project despite repeated delays before the first deliveries in December 2015. The company has delivered 140 planes since the first model was cleared by the Federal Aviation Administration.

Baxter launches investigation over 'misstatements' in financial reporting

BY LISA SCHENCKER

Baxter International has launched an internal investigation into "misstatements" in its previously reported financial results related to foreign exchange gains and losses, the company disclosed Thursday.

The Deerfield-based company has already alerted the Securities and

Exchange Commission about the issue and will provide more information to the commission as its investigation progresses, Baxter said in a disclosure Thursday. Baxter does not expect to file its next financial quarterly report on time.

Baxter's stock closed down 10% Thursday, to \$79.08 a share. Baxter makes renal and hospital products.

The investigation relates to internal transactions made for the purpose of generating foreign exchange gains or losses, according to the company.

Baxter Chairman and CEO Jose Almeida said in a news release that "Baxter takes this matter very seriously, and the Board along with the Company's leadership team fully supports a

comprehensive investigation." He said Baxter is working to improve its internal controls.

External counsel and consultants are helping Baxter with its internal investigation.

Baxter also reported partial third-quarter operating results Thursday showing sales of \$2.9 billion, up 3% on a reported basis.

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Old Irving Park neighborhood.

Most of the next wave of hires will be for repairing and redistributing bikes during a \$50 million expansion of the Divvy program within the city, Darvick said.

Lyft also has two Divvy warehouses in the West Town neighborhood, one of which also was used during

Chicago's recent electric scooter pilot program, which included scooters from 10 companies.

The city has yet to announce whether it will create a permanent scooter program, or which company or companies might run it. "We do hope scooters come back, and we're very pleased with how the pilot went," Darvick said.

Details of Lyft's growth in Chicago come less than two months after rival Uber Technologies announced

plans to add 2,000 employees in the next three years, based out of a massive new office in the Old Post Office redevelopment. That space will include the headquarters of its Uber Freight business.

Uber has several Chicago facilities for registering drivers, conducting inspections and other functions, including one at North Avenue and the expressway, about a mile north of Lyft's planned facility.

Darvick declined to say

how much of a market share Lyft has in Chicago, or where the city ranks among its ride-share markets in the U.S.

Lyft will lease the single-story building from Chicago developer Shapack Partners, which bought it for \$6 million in February 2018, according to Cook County property records. Crain's Chicago Business first reported Lyft's lease at the property.

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Gift

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grown its computer science department in recent years, in part through a \$7.6 million donation from Chicago tech entrepreneur Chris Gladwin in 2015, shortly after he sold his big-data storage company Cleversafe to IBM.

Undergraduate computer science majors are up 88% since fall 2015, according to the university.

It's not possible for a city to lead in technology without a top-tier, technology-oriented university, said Gladwin, a university trustee. The school "has to step forward in order to realize this opportunity of being part of transforming Chicago into being a leading tech hub," he said. "This is a big part of that step."

The university's goals are aligned with those of P33, a Chicago nonprofit that Gladwin and former U.S. commerce secretary Penny Pritzker launched last year to boost Chicago's standing among the world's tech cities. Cramb, Mike Galvin and other university leaders are among the more than 200 business, civic and university leaders participating in the initiative.

More than 6,500 students are enrolled in the school in Chicago's Bronzeville community, less than half of whom are undergraduates. The university's roots date back to the early 1890s, when meat-packing giant Philip D. Armour founded the Armour Institute. The school later merged with the nearby Lewis Institute.

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Health

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es to questions.

Health Navigator will be part of Amazon Care, a service that connects Amazon employees and their family members to doctors or nurse practitioners through live chat or video, with an option of in-person follow-ups from registered nurses.

In the short-term, the acquisition of Health Navigator should help Amazon provide more cost-effective, automatic care to their workers, said Tom Kiesau, director with consulting firm The Chartis Group and leader of Chartis Digital.

In the long term, it could help Amazon become a bigger part of health care for consumers in general, he said.

"It's hard to imagine that once they demon-

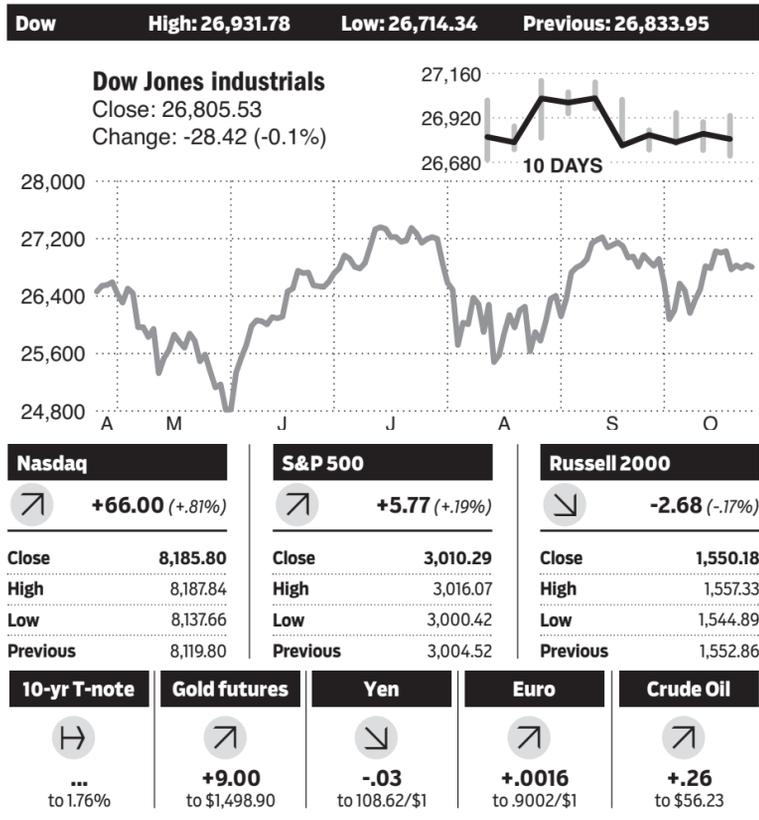
strate they can more effectively manage and improve the consumer experience for their employees around health care, that they're not going to expand it," Kiesau said.

"It just puts a stake in the ground that Amazon is interested in being involved in care delivery in a different way," he said.

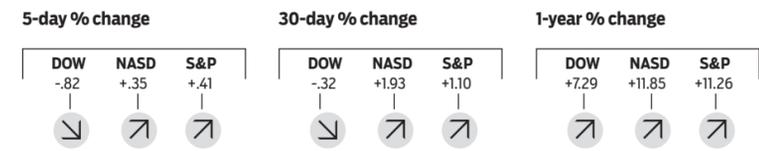
Amazon grabbed headlines last year when it purchased PillPack, an online pharmacy that delivers medications in pre-sorted doses. Some speculated that Amazon would use PillPack to upend the traditional retail pharmacy model.

Thompson is also known for developing a set of telephone triage protocols used in medical centers and doctors' offices. Before working at Northwestern, he was medical director and chair of the department of emergency medicine at MacNeal Hospital in Berwyn.

MARKET ROUNDUP



Major market growth and decline



COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Dec 19	522.50	523.75	515.50	516	-4.75
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Dec 19	388.50	390.75	385.25	386.75	-1
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Nov 19	933.75	939	932.75	933.25	-.50
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Dec 19	30.63	31.42	30.53	31.34	+76
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Dec 19	308.50	309.50	305.40	305.60	-3.00
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Dec 19	55.90	56.51	55.41	56.23	+26
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Nov 19	2.285	2.342	2.269	2.316	+0.034
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Nov 19	1.6519	1.6708	1.6355	1.6632	+0.0113

Source: The Associated Press

LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization. Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	81.36	+0.9	Equity Commonwith	N	31.86	-1.7
AbbVie Inc	N	76.80	-.95	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	68.94	+8.1
Allstate Corp	N	108.26	+0.8	Equity Residential	N	87.58	-2.6
Aptargroup Inc	N	117.34	-.03	Exelon Corp	O	45.31	+7.9
Arch Dan Mid	N	40.54	-1.9	First Indl RT	N	60.77	+2.3
Baxter Intl	N	79.08	-8.87	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	91.21	+1.06
Boeing Co	N	344.55	+4.05	Gallagher AJ	N	315.21	+2.77
Brunswick Corp	N	58.40	+8.6	GrubHub Inc	N	56.34	+1.1
CBOE Global Markets	N	115.70	+1.67	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	98.69	-.70
CDK Global Inc	O	49.37	+0.4	IAA Inc	N	38.50	+3.4
CDW Corp	O	124.45	+1.41	IDEX Corp	N	157.83	-1.5
CF Industries	N	45.47	-.35	ITW	N	160.13	-1.50
CME Group	O	203.25	+1.02	Ingredion Inc	N	79.21	-.41
CNA Financial	N	45.11	-.66	John Bean Technol	N	105.43	-1.94
Cabot Microelect	O	148.51	+2.16	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	144.59	-.23
Caterpillar Inc	N	133.85	-1.49	Kemper Corp	N	73.20	+3.6
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	27.09	-.52	Kraft Heinz Co	O	28.45	-1.6
Deere Co	N	172.11	-2.89	LQJ Corporation	O	31.79	-1.3
Discover Fin Svcs	N	79.74	-.78	Littelfuse Inc	O	185.96	-2.82
Dover Corp	N	103.11	-.18				

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Nokia Corp	3.90	-1.21
Ford Motor	8.60	-.61
Twitter Inc	30.75	-3.08
Snap Inc A	13.52	+3.34
Chesapeake Energy	1.48	+0.05
AT&T Inc	36.82	-.92
Bank of America	31.36	-0.6
Gen Electric	8.95	-1.9
Freepport McMoran	9.59	-.54
Ambev S.A.	4.73	+1.1
Infosys Ltd	8.93	-1.1
Yamana Gold Inc	3.38	+0.9
Teva Pharm	8.16	+2.3
PG&E Corp	7.20	-1.00
Petrobras	15.25	-3.3
QEP Resources Inc	3.45	+3.3
EnCana Corp	9.00	+0.5
Vale SA	11.51	-1.4
EnCana Corp	4.15	+0.6
Pfizer Inc	36.39	-.38
Range Resources	3.81	-0.3
Cleveland-Cliffs Inc	7.15	+3.9
Wells Fargo & Co	51.10	+1.7
Callon Petrol	4.08	-0.3

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
AT&T Inc	36.82	-.92
Alibaba Group Hldg	172.55	+2.63
Alphabet Inc C	1260.99	+1.86
Alphabet Inc A	1259.11	+1.48
Amazon.com Inc	1780.78	+18.61
Apple Inc	243.58	+4.0
Bank of America	31.36	-0.6
Berkshire Hath B	210.26	-.70
Exxon Mobil Corp	69.09	-.66
Facebook Inc	186.38	+2.3
HSBC Holdings prA	26.35	-.02
JPMorgan Chase	125.03	-.09
Johnson & Johnson	127.50	-2.40
MasterCard Inc	268.75	+7.90
Microsoft Corp	139.94	+2.70
Procter & Gamble	124.79	+1.79
Taiwan Semicon	50.95	+7.8
Visa Inc	176.16	+4.84
WalMart Strs	119.10	-.25

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	31.93	+1.5	+10.9
American Funds AmrnBAlA m	27.87	+0.4	+12.1
American Funds CptWldGrInC m	64.26	+1.6	+13.9
American Funds CptInclBldrA m	61.84	+1.0	+11.4
American Funds FdmTtlInvSA m	60.19	+1.9	+13.1
American Funds GrfAmrca m	50.15	+3.5	+12.5
American Funds InvCAMrca m	38.24	+0.4	+9.6
American Funds NwPrspctVA m	45.17	+4.0	+17.0
American Funds WAMTInvSA m	46.64	+0.8	+14.7
Dodge & Cox Inc	14.10	...	+9.7
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	42.39	+0.8	+10.3
Dodge & Cox Stk	189.62	-3.6	+9.3
DoubleLine TlRetBdl	10.73	...	+8.0
Fidelity 500IdxInPrm	104.69	+2.0	+15.7
Fidelity Contrafund	13.05	+1.1	+13.5
Fidelity InvMGrdeBd	11.57	...	+10.7
Fidelity TtlMktIdxInPrm	85.41	+2.0	+15.0
Fidelity USBldIdxInPrm	11.94	...	+10.6
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.31	...	+8.7
Metropolitan West TlRetBdl	11.03	...	+10.9
PIMCO Inc2	11.96	...	+6.7
PIMCO IncInstl	11.96	...	+6.8
PIMCO TlRetIns	10.47	-0.1	+9.8
Schwab SP500Idx	46.74	+0.9	+15.6
T. Rowe Price BCGr	114.87	+1.29	+16.0
T. Rowe Price GrStk	68.53	+6.4	+15.4
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	278.07	+5.4	+15.6
Vanguard BalldAdmrl	37.75	+0.5	+13.6
Vanguard DivGrInV	30.10	-0.9	+2.7
Vanguard EqInAdmrl	76.84	-0.7	+14.5
Vanguard GrldAdmrl	86.89	+7.3	+18.8
Vanguard HCAdmrl	83.87	+4.3	+8.4
Vanguard InTRAdmrl	14.43	...	+4.4
Vanguard InslIdxIn	272.67	+5.2	+15.6
Vanguard InslIdxInPlus	272.68	+5.2	+15.7
Vanguard InstlMlInPls	64.64	+1.5	+15.0
Vanguard MDCpIdxAdmrl	209.46	+5.0	+17.1
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	141.15	+1.36	+12.2
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.74	...	+6.1
Vanguard SmCpIdxAdmrl	74.57	+0.9	+10.9
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	32.51	+0.5	+12.1
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	19.53	+0.3	+12.9
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	35.63	+0.7	+13.1
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	21.89	+0.4	+13.4
Vanguard TtBldIdxAdmrl	11.07	...	+10.7
Vanguard TtBldIdxIn	11.07	...	+10.7
Vanguard TtInBldIdxAdmrl	23.35	+0.3	+10.5
Vanguard TtInBldIdxIn	35.03	+0.3	+10.5
Vanguard TtInBldIdxInV	11.68	+0.2	+10.4
Vanguard TtInSldIdxAdmrl	28.52	+0.6	+12.7
Vanguard TtInSldIdxIn	114.05	+2.4	+12.7
Vanguard TtInSldIdxInPlus	114.07	+2.3	+12.7
Vanguard TtInSldIdxInV	17.05	+0.4	+12.6
Vanguard TtInSldIdxAdmrl	74.39	+1.8	+14.9
Vanguard TtInSldIdxIn	74.41	+1.8	+15.0
Vanguard TtInSldIdxInV	74.36	+1.7	+14.8
Vanguard WngtInAdmrl	73.67	+0.5	+15.7
Vanguard WsllyInAdmrl	65.81	-0.2	+15.6
Vanguard WndrInAdmrl	65.46	-0.1	+12.5

d - Deferred sales charge, or redemption fee.
m - Multiple fees are charged, usually a marketing fee and either a sales or redemption fee.
Source: Morningstar.

TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	1.62	1.62
6-month disc	1.61	1.60
2-year	1.57	1.56
10-year	1.76	1.76
30-year	2.26	2.25

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1498.90	\$1489.90
Silver	\$17.739	\$17.517
Platinum	\$921.60	\$918.40

INTEREST RATES

Prime Rate	5.00
Discount Rate Primary	2.50
Fed Funds Target	1.75-2.00
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.67

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

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Brazil (Real)	4.0363
Britain (Pound)	.7774
Canada (Dollar)	1.3071
China (Yuan)	7.0691
Euro	.9002
India (Rupee)	70.962
Israel (Shekel)	3.5334
Japan (Yen)	108.62
Mexico (Peso)	19.1428
Poland (Zloty)	3.85
So. Korea (Won)	1174.78
Taiwan (Dollar)	30.60
Thailand (Baht)	30.25

FOREIGN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHG./%
Shanghai	2940.92	-7/-0
Stoxx600	397.37	+2.3/+6
Nikkei	22750.60	+125.2/+6
MSCI-EAFE	1932.47	+8/+0
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OBITUARIES

ABRAHAM SAMUELS 1921-2019

Inventor of iconic 'flip placard' that warns of hazards on trucks

By **GRAYDON MEGAN**
Chicago Tribune

More than 40 years ago, Abe Samuels, then 55 years old, came to a new job in an unfamiliar industry with energy and inventiveness.

He not only made a success of the job, but invented an iconic product still seen on trucks and trailers carrying dangerous goods all over the country.

The product was the Spacemaster flip placard system, a diamond-shaped frame holding a variety of printed legends that shippers can flip up or down to identify dangerous or hazardous goods on their vehicles. Samuels developed the system after joining LabelMaster, the Chicago-based company providing products, software and services to shippers of dangerous goods and hazardous materials, including chemicals and flammable liquids.

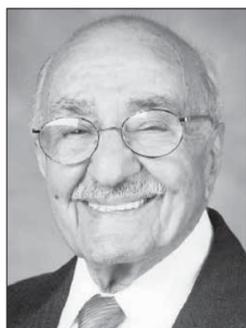
"He was 55 years old when he joined us," said Dwight Curtis, the company's former longtime president and now vice chairman. "He was a product manager and then he actually invented the flip placard."

Samuels, 98, died Oct. 16 of natural causes in his Wilmette home, according to his daughter, Stacey Ross. He had lived in Wilmette since the 1960s.

In July 2016, Samuels told Crain's Chicago Business he came to LabelMaster when he was laid off after working for decades as an engineer for a plumbing products company. "I couldn't retire. I was a young man," he said then.

Also in 1976, new federal regulations on signage identifying hazardous materials took effect. The timing was right for Samuels to develop the flip placard system, now multiple systems, to alert first responders and others to dangerous materials from acids to radioactive materials.

With his engineering background, Samuels was able to develop durable metal frames and legend plates that could easily be



Abe Samuels

flipped to cover a wide range of materials.

He was born Abraham Samuels in Chicago in 1921, the second of four children of Assyrian parents who came to Chicago from northern Iran. He grew up in the Old Town area. His father worked at the nearby Scholl Manufacturing Co. of Dr. Scholl foot care fame, and the family owned and lived in a two-flat on St. Paul Avenue.

When Samuels was 16, both of his parents died while Chicago and the rest of the country were still in the depths of the Great Depression. He and his older sister worked to pay the bills and support a younger sister and brother. In 2016, he recalled that a local pastor, the Rev. Fred Berghofer, mentored him as he took on several jobs to support his family and hang on to the building on St. Paul. He said he walked dogs for the Potter Palmer family on Astor Street, delivered newspapers to the Gold Coast area and took in boarders to supplement the rent.

After graduating from Lane Tech High School, Samuels joined the Navy, serving at sea during World War II. At war's end, he returned to Chicago and used his GI Bill benefits to enroll at what is now Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Terre Haute, Indiana, where he got a degree in mechanical engineering.

He worked for Chicago-area companies in the plumbing industry until he said he was laid off in the 1970s, the occasion for his

joining LabelMaster.

Samuels joined the company as a product manager, but his engineering background soon came into play as federal regulations required warning placards.

"He designed the flip placard system. He went out and sold it to trucking companies all over the country," said Mike Kelly, the director of sales operations for the company who became a colleague in 1993. "He really then became more of a national sales manager after that."

Kelly said Samuels "knew everybody in the trucking business."

Samuels retired in 2016, when he was 95 years old. Before that, though, he had continued to attend and work industry trade shows for LabelMaster.

Curtis said Samuels was well-known and well-loved in the industry. His energy remained high, even as he neared retirement. While working a trade show usually means long hours of standing, Samuels didn't tire easily.

"He had a lot of energy," Curtis said. "Even as he was getting up in age, Abe would want to go bowling."

Kelly called Samuels a mentor from whom he learned many lessons. "No shortcuts, doing things the right way," Kelly said. "Never compromising quality or values. If you made a commitment, you found a way to live up to the commitment...whatever it took."

"He had the ability to make a connection with everybody he met."

Ross said her father and her late mother found time for a lot of traveling and were active in their church and social circle. But Samuels really enjoyed his job. "He just loved working," she said.

Samuels is also survived by his son, Scott; and one granddaughter.

His wife of 59 years, Katharine, died in 2007.

He was preceded in death by his siblings.

Services were held.

Megan is a freelance reporter.

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON OCTOBER 25 ...

In 1760, George III ascended the British throne after the death of his grandfather, King George II.

In 1812, the U.S. frigate United States captured the British vessel Macedonian during the War of 1812.

In 1838, composer Georges Bizet was born in Paris.

In 1854, the Charge of the Light Brigade took place during the Crimean War as an English brigade of more than 600 men, facing hopeless odds, charged the Russian army in the Battle of Balaclava and suffered heavy losses.

In 1881, artist Pablo Picasso was born in Malaga, Spain.

In 1912, Grand Ole Opry comic Minnie Pearl was born Sarah Cannon in Centerville, Tenn.

In 1918, the Canadian steamship Princess Sophia foundered off the Alaskan coast; nearly 400 people died.

In 1929, former Interior Secretary Albert Fall was convicted of accepting a \$100,000 bribe in connection with the Elk Hills Naval Oil Reserve in California.

In 1940, college basketball coach Bob Knight was born in Orrville, Ohio.

In 1951, peace talks aimed at ending the Korean War resumed in Panmunjom.

In 1962, Adlai E. Stevenson II, the U.S. ambassador to the U.N., presented photographic evidence of Soviet missile bases in Cuba to the Security Council. Also in 1962 writer John Steinbeck was awarded the Nobel Prize in literature.

In 1971, the United Nations seated mainland China and expelled Taiwan.

In 1983, a U.S.-led force invaded Grenada at the order of President Ronald Reagan, who said the action was needed to protect U.S. citizens there.

In 1986, the Boston Red Sox lost Game 6 of the World

Series to the New York Mets when a routine ground ball rolled through the legs of Boston first baseman Bill Buckner, allowing the winning run to score in the 10th inning.

In 1994, Susan Smith of Union, S.C., claimed that an African-American carjacker had driven off with her two sons. (Smith later confessed to drowning the children and was convicted of murder.)

In 1995, a Metra commuter train slammed into a school bus in Fox River Grove, killing seven McHenry County high school students.

In 1999, pro golfer Payne Stewart, 42, and five others were killed when their Learjet flew uncontrolled for four hours before crashing in South Dakota.

In 2000, laboring in the frigid murk of the Barents Sea, divers found and removed the first bodies from the wreckage of the nuclear submarine Kursk, which sank on Aug. 12, 2000, with the loss of all 118 sailors aboard.

In 2002, U.S. Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minn., was killed with his wife, daughter and five others in a plane crash in northern Minnesota 11 days before Election Day; he was 58.

In 2003, the Florida Marlins won the World Series in Game 6 against the New York Yankees, 2-0.

In 2004, the U.S. Supreme Court announced that Chief Justice William Rehnquist had thyroid cancer.

In 2005, U.S. military deaths in Iraq reached the 2,000 mark.

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

ILLINOIS	
Oct. 24	
Lotto	03 19 28 35 48 50 / 18
Lotto Jackpot:	\$8.75M
Pick 3 midday	181 / 2
Pick 4 midday	9292 / 3
Lucky Day Lotto midday	02 04 06 11 25
Pick 3 evening	993 / 8
Pick 4 evening	8167 / 3
Lucky Day Lotto evening	19 27 32 36 37
Oct. 25 Mega Millions:	\$93M
Oct. 26 Powerball:	\$130M
WISCONSIN	
Oct. 24	
Pick 3	567
Pick 4	6596
Badger 5	01 04 14 19 21
SuperCash	09 13 18 30 34 39

INDIANA	
Oct. 24	
Daily 3 midday	681 / 3
Daily 4 midday	3762 / 3
Daily 3 evening	960 / 1
Daily 4 evening	7864 / 1
Cash 5	01 21 26 29 32
MICHIGAN	
Oct. 24	
Daily 3 midday	380
Daily 4 midday	1841
Daily 3 evening	772
Daily 4 evening	3390
Fantasy 5	14 24 25 36 39
Keno	03 05 06 09 10 11
	13 14 20 21 30 32 34 42
	58 63 67 68 71 76 77 80

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Block, Steven Lee

Steven Lee Block (born April 22, 1951) passed away on October 22, 2019 after a long battle with Huntington's Disease. He is survived by his daughters, Jordan Faye Block and Dusty Joy Brickman, his mother Jean Block, his sisters Sheree Block and Nanette Perkins, and his brother Phillip Block and preceded in death by his beloved father, David S. Block. He was a loving father, supportive son, and a great brother. In place of a memorial service, there will be a celebration of life gathering at Maggiano's on Saturday October 26, beginning at 5:30pm at 4999 Old Orchard Shopping Center in Skokie, IL. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Huntington's Disease Society of America, online at www.hdsa.org

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Boehm, Dorothy Rose

Dorothy R. Boehm, nee Langer, October 24, 2019, age 93. Late of Smith Crossing Retirement Village, formerly of Hazel Crest. Beloved wife of the late Richard Edward Boehm. Dear mother of John J. (Janet) Boehm and Richard B. (Jeannine Smith) Boehm. Cherished grandmother of Katelyn (Phil) Krabbe, Krista (Max Tenclay) Boehm, Karyn, Kimberley, Bryan, Michelle and Thomas James "TJ" Boehm. Great grandmother of Kendall and Raegan Krabbe. Served as team member in Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity International on numerous mission trips. Nurse Practitioner for the health care industry for many years. Resting at the Tews-Ryan Funeral Home, 18230 Dixie Hwy., Homewood, Sunday, October 27th from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Lying in state at Salem Lutheran Church, 18324 Ashland Ave., Homewood, Monday, October 26 from 9:30 a.m. until the time of services at 10:30 a.m. Interment Mt. Greenwood Cemetery. www.tews-ryanfh.com or 708-798-5300.



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BORMAN, BETTY

Betty Jane (nee Foos) Borman, age 92, passed away at home on October 19, 2019. She was born in Chicago, Illinois in 1927 and married to Harris Thomas Borman in 1958 until his death in 2014. She is survived by daughters Nancy Borman and Laura (Stephen) Doyle, and granddaughters Emily Doyle, Claire Doyle, and Audrey Doyle. Betty attended Chicago public schools and received her bachelor's degree from (the former) Chicago Teachers' College in 1948. She taught elementary school prior to having a family and returned to teaching after her children were raised. During summers, she worked as a waitress at Many Glacier Hotel in Glacier National Park, Montana. These times were some of the happiest of her younger years. She loved traveling, and in her twenties, took a six-week trip to Europe via ocean liner prior to the days of mass travel. She and her husband also took many trips around the world, their favorite places being France, Scotland, and Norway. Betty had an avid interest in genealogy and was a long-time member of the Twenty-first Star Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. There will be a private memorial for family and close friends. Donations can be made in her name to GBS/CIDP Foundation International (gbs-cidp.org).

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Breyer, Helen

Helen Breyer, nee Horwich; 94, long-time resident of Boca Raton, Florida and Chicago, Illinois passed away Tuesday, October 22nd. Loving mother of David (Nancy Fong-Breyer), Mark and Tom (Chris Peterson); devoted grandmother of Leah, Sarah, Lizzie and Andy; cherished aunt, great-aunt and friend to many. Helen was preceded in death by her husband of 47 years, Frederick Breyer. Services private. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Helen's name to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave, Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601 or www.alz.org.

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Buscarini, Thomas "Tom"

Thomas "Tom" Buscarini, Loving husband of Rose (nee:Piekut); dear father of Jim, Lisa, Terry, Rodney Pawlak, Ryan (Jennifer) Pawlak and the late Tom; fond grandfather of Colin, Lawrence and Matthew. Tom was a teacher and coach at St. Pat's H.S. for many years. Memorial visitation Sunday 11:00am until time of prayers 3:00pm at The Countryside Funeral Homes and Crematory, 950 South Bartlett Rd., Bartlett. Cremation was private. In lieu of flowers, donations in his name to The American Heart Association appreciated. Info www.countrysidefuneralhomes.com or (630)289-7575

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Chisum, Vivian

It is with great sadness that the family of Vivian Lee (Whiten) Chisum announces her passing after a prolonged illness, on Thursday, October 17, 2019, at the age of 77 years. Vivian will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 44 years, John and her children, Regina (Michael) Evans and Yohancé (Nadia). Vivian will also be fondly remembered by her four grandchildren, Janae, Maui, Jelani, and Oni Vivian and by her sister, Carrie Lee Wicks and her brother Reginald (Denisa) Whiten. Vivian was a gifted teacher, educator and administrator retiring, December 31, 1998 after 34 years with the Chicago Public Schools. Her career with the Chicago Public Schools started in 1964. Vivian's desire to be the best teacher possible resulted in her returning to school and earning two Master's degrees, 60 plus course credit hours and sixteen certificates. At the time of her retirement Vivian was the Facilitator/Administrator for the Division of Home/Hospital Services and was responsible for providing educational support and teachers for students too sick to attend school.

A Lions Club International Memorial service will be held at, A.A. Rayner & Sons Funeral Home, 318 E. 71st St., Chicago, IL. October, 25th 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Funeral services for Vivian will be held on Saturday, October 26 at 10:00 a.m., at Shiloh Baptist Church, 7058 S. Racine Ave., Chicago, IL 60636, with Rev. Dr. Ervin R. Millsaps officiating. Interment will follow in the family plot at Evergreen Cemetery, 3410 West 87th Street. A Memorial Dinner will be served at 6320 S. Dorchester, Chicago, IL, after interment. Those who so desire may make memorial donations in memory of Vivian to the: Lions Clubs International Foundation - 300 22nd Street - Oak Brook, IL - 60523

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Cleary, John W. 'Jack'

John W. "Jack" Cleary; beloved husband of Jacqueline Cleary, nee Higey; loving father of Julie (Peter, Sr.) Schaefer; dear grandfather of Grace and Peter, Jr., fond brother of Thomas (Karyl) and the late James Cleary; fond uncle of many. Memorial Visitation Sunday 12:00PM to 3:00PM, followed by a Memorial Service and Military Honors at Adams-Winterfield & Sullivan Funeral Home, 4343 Main St. (1 blk. So. of Ogden Ave.), Downers Grove. Interment Private. Jack was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend to so many. Join us as we celebrate his life. 630-968-1000 or www.adamswinterfieldsullivan.com



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DuCharme, Robert S. 'Bob'

Robert S. "Bob" DuCharme, age 90, U.S. Army veteran 1947-1949, a resident of Aurora, IL since 1992, formerly of Naperville and West Chicago, IL, passed away on October 22 2019. He was born on December 26, 1928 in Stevens Point, WI. Bob was the founder of Designed Stairs in Sandwich, IL.

In 1953, Bob met and married his first wife, Irene Roche, with whom he had five daughters. Later in life, Bob met the second love of his life, Nancy Gingrich, while dancing at the Willowbrook Ballroom. It was love at first dance. For the next 27 years, Bob and Nancy danced together and traveled to ballroom dancing events throughout the country. They became highly respected ballroom dancers among their peers.

Bob is survived by his wife of 27 years, Nancy DuCharme (nee Gingrich), and his five daughters, Patricia DuCharme, Kerry (Tim) Schroeder, Roberta (John) Ressler, Nancy DuCharme, and Michelle DuCharme (Tim) Sury; seven grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, Wilfred and Alice DuCharme (nee LaSalle), his first wife, Irene DuCharme (nee Roche), three sisters, Sister Andrée DuCharme, OSF (Lorraine DuCharme), Dorothy Lewis and Mary Christophersen.

Arrangements by Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Naperville, IL.

For service times and a complete obituary, please visit www.friedrich-jones.com or call (630) 355-0213 for more information.



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Evans, Margo M

Margo M. Evans passed away under hospice care on Monday October 21, 2019 at the age of 83. Margo was deeply loved by many: her children, Dean, Bryan and Diane Evans; her grandchildren Rachel and Sydney Evans, Langston and Malcolm Fitts, along with a multitude of friends. Visitation Friday Nov. 1st 6 to 9pm at Leak & Sons Funeral Home, 7838 S. Cottage Grove, Chicago IL. Funeral Services Saturday Nov 2nd at Liberty Baptist Church 4849 S. King Drive Chicago IL 12:30pm Wake, 1pm Service

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Firlit, Florence V.

Florence V. Firlit nee Spuler age 101, beloved wife of the late Joseph Firlit; loving mother of Geri Epstein and Daniel (Sharon) Firlit; devoted grandmother of Jared (Leslie) Epstein, Avery Epstein, Daniel II (Randa) Firlit, Jason (Heidi) Firlit and Kenneth (Erica) Firlit; cherished great grandmother of Colton, Beau, Lars, Russell, Gabe, Alexis, Brayden and Brooklyn; dearest sister of the late Helen (Steve) Capek, Margie Spicka and Josephine (Joe) Hodorski; dear sister-in-law of Mike Spicka; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Monday 9:00 A.M. until time of prayers 10:45 A.M. at Lawn Funeral Home 17909 S 94th Ave Tinley Park IL 60487 to St Mary Church Mass 11:30 A.M. Entombment Resurrection Cemetery Funeral info (708) 532-3100.



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Fischman, Arlene S.

Arlene S. Fischman, nee Hoffman, age 83. Beloved wife of Irwin for 64 years; cherished mother of Rhonda (Doug) Edmonds, Barry Fischman, Karen (Michael) Mittelmark and Steven Fischman; loving "Nana" of Matthew Mittelmark; devoted daughter of the late Morris and Lillian Hoffman, dear daughter-in-law of the late Peter and Delia Fischman; treasured cousin and friend to many. Graveside service Friday, Oct. 25th, 11:30 AM at Shalom Memorial Park, Rand Rd and Rte 53 in Arlington Heights. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Arlene's name to the Jewish United Fund www.juf.org would be appreciated. Info [Mitzvah Memorial Funerals](http://www.mitzvahfunerals.com), 630-MITZVAH (630-648-9824) or www.mitzvahfunerals.com

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Hodges, James J.

James J. Hodges, 64, Ret. Will County S.P. Dear son of the late John (ret. C.P.D.) and the late Genevieve Hodges. Loving brother of Terrance ret. C.P.D. (the late Ellen) Hodges. Fond uncle of Brendan. Visitation Saturday at St. Thomas More Church 8100 S. California, Chicago from 9:00 a.m. until time of Tridentine Requiem Mass 10:00 a.m. Private interment Holy Sepulchur Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (Memorial I.D. # 11780284), P.O. Box 1000, Dept. 142, Memphis, TN. 38101-9908. Arrangements entrusted to Donnellan Funeral Home. Info (773) 238-0075 or sign guestbook at www.donnellanfuneralhome.com



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Houlihan, Kathryn A.

Kathryn A. Houlihan nee Finn. Beloved wife of Paul Houlihan. Loving mother of Kim Rooney & Lynn (Ryan) Harrington. Cherished grandmother of Kevin, Danny (fiancé Rose) & Shannon Rooney & Kathryn, Jack & Elizabeth Harrington. Dear sister of Lois (Bob) Stump & the late Thomas Finn, Donald (Doreen) Finn & Joan Finn. Proud aunt of many nieces & nephews. Funeral Monday 9:00 am from **Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home**, 5570 W. 95th St., Oak Lawn to Christ the King Church, Chicago, for Mass at 10:00 am. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Visitation Sunday from 3:00 pm until 8:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the American Diabetes Association would be greatly appreciated. thompsonkuensterfuneralhome.com 708-425-0500

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Jones, Darren 'Duke'

Darren "Duke" Jones, 58, of Belleville, Illinois, formerly of Gary, Indiana, passed away October 19, 2019. He was a 1979 graduate of Horace Mann High School, and a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. Darren was preceded in death by his loving mother, Betty (Fullilove) Jones. He is survived by his father, James; siblings, Denise and Dwayne; loving wife, Patrice; sons, Darren (Kimberly), Dominick (Dejoire), Dimitri, Daryus (Andrew), and Dev'Ric; honorary daughter, Brittany Hall; 8 grandchildren; ex-wife and friend, Debra Jarrett-Jones; and a host of beloved family and friends. Visitation will be Saturday, October 26, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. with funeral service immediately following at 12:00 p.m. at Pilgrim Baptist Church in East St Louis, IL.

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Lamprakes, Nicholas Theodore 'Nick'

Born April 9, 1944, Died July 18, 2019. Loving son of deceased, James Peter and Frieda (nee) Boliaris, Chicago IL. Graduate of Senn High School, and a Navy veteran serving on the USS Albany. Left Chicago 50+ years ago for California, and never looked back from his adopted home in Canyon Country CA. Horseman most of his life, he never met a horse he couldn't love. He will be sorely missed by everyone that got the chance to know him.

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Maloney, Francis Jerome 'Jerry'

Frances Jerome "Jerry" Maloney, 93, of Fox Lake, at rest October 22, 2019. Born May 21, 1926, in Chicago, the son of the late Martin and Ellen Maloney. Dear brother of the late William (the late Dorothy) Maloney, the late Mary Jane (the late James) Larkin, the late Neil (the late Eileen) Maloney, and the late Rev. Fr. Edward J. Maloney. Dear uncle, cousin and friend to many. Guided by his faith in God and his commitment to the Gospel, Jerry touched the lives of many in his vocations as priest, pastor, Federal probation officer, and friend to those in need. Visitation Friday, October 25, 4-8 p.m., **Hamsher Lakeside Funerals and Cremations, 12 N. Pistakee Lake Rd., Fox Lake**. Visitation resuming Saturday, October 26, from 9-9:30 a.m., at funeral home with a 10 a.m. Mass following at Our Lady of the Lakes St. Bede Church, 36455 N. Wilson Rd. (at intersection with Route 59), Ingleside. Burial All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Jerry's name to NPH USA, 134 N. LaSalle St., Ste. 500, Chicago, IL 60602-1036, www.NPHUSA.org/donate, or 888-201-8880, appreciated. Online condolences www.HamsherLakeside.com, for information, 847-587-2100.

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Mitrick, Carol A.

Carol A. Mitrick nee Seiler, age 79 at rest October 23; beloved wife and lifelong dance partner of over 58 years of Steven; loving mother of Karen (Jack) Sullivan, Linda (Rick) Walt, Christine (Matthew) Remmes and Steven (Carri); cherished grandmother of Tom, Jack, Mary Beth, Michael, Ryan, Kyle, Katherine, Lauren, Ann Marie, Paul, Peyton and Hanna; also survived by many nieces, nephews, in-laws, cousins and friends. Visitation Sunday, October 27th, from 3 to 8 pm at the MAHER FUNERAL HOME, 17101 71st Avenue, Tinley Park, (1 block east of Harlem on 71st Ave in the Olde Tinley Library). Funeral Monday, October 28th from the funeral home to St. Germaine Church, 9711 S. Kolin, Oak Lawn, for 10 am Mass of Christian Burial. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the Alzheimer Association (ALZ.org), preferred and appreciated. For further information please call 708-781-9212.

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O'Connor, Patricia K.

Patricia K. O'Connor, nee Daly, age 84, of Elmhurst, formerly of Chicago and Galena; former volunteer at St. Francis Borgia Grammar School; beloved wife of John; loving mother of Sean (Mindy) O'Connor, Sheila (Charlie) O'Halloran and Sharon (Joe) Wangler; proud grandmother of Meghan and Jack O'Connor, Morgan (Kyle) Yearick, Evan Welsh, Caitlin (Jason) Garstka, Kevin O'Halloran, Daly Wangler, Aubrey (Jason) Thielehouse and Anna Wangler; cherished great-grandmother of Molly, Zack and Jacob; dear sister-in-law of Barbara O'Connor and fond aunt of Patty, Terry (Mary) and Deirdre O'Connor and great-aunt of many; cherished friend of many. Visitation Sunday, 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and Monday, 8:00 a.m. until 9:15 a.m. at **Gibbons Funeral Home**, 134 South York Road, (½ mile North of Saint Charles Road), Elmhurst. Mass of Christian Burial 10:00 a.m. at Mary Queen of Heaven Catholic Church. Interment All Saints Catholic Cemetery, DesPlaines. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601. For funeral information please call 630-832-0018 or www.gibbonsfuneralhome.com

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Papas, Antonia

Antonia Papas, age 73, of Lake Bluff passed away peacefully at home on October 23, 2019. She was born in Neohori Zahoro, Greece. Beloved wife of Nick; dear sister-in-law of Gus and Kathy Papas of Lake Bluff; beloved sister of Gregory Neofotistos of Greece; dear aunt of Constantina Boufis and Christopher Papas of Lake Bluff, Jimmy Kentros of Superior, WI, and Eleni (Panayoti) Karalis, Anotria Karalis, Fotini Karalis (Godchild), Theodoris Karalis and many other nieces and nephews in Greece; beloved Yiayia of Yanni, Constantine and Katerina Boufis. Visitation 4-8 p.m. on Sunday, October 27 with a Trisagion (Prayer Service) at 7 p.m. at Kelley & Spalding Funeral Home, 1787 Deerfield Rd., Highland Park. Family and friends will gather on Monday at Ascension of Our Lord Greek Orthodox Church, 1207 River Rd., Lincolnshire for a 10:30 a.m. Funeral Service. Interment Elmwood Cemetery, River Grove. Info - **Reuland & Turnbough Funeral Directors of Lake Forest**, 847-234-9649 or www.RTFunerals.com.



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Robertson, Christine Elizabeth Reid

Christine Elizabeth Reid Robertson Obituary



A lifelong educator and long time resident of Naperville, IL, Christine was born December 22, 1938 to William and Selina Reid. The daughter and granddaughter of immigrants, she was proud of her Scottish and Irish heritage. Her early years were spent in Connecticut, where she enjoyed summers at Columbia Lake with her beloved aunt and uncle.

At age nine, Christine moved with her family to Charleston, Illinois, where her father, a stonemason, worked on the construction of the Booth Library at Eastern Illinois University. She attended Eastern Lab School and received a B.S. in Education, with co-majors in Speech Pathology and English from Eastern Illinois University. She later earned an M.S. in Educational Administration and Supervision from Marquette University.

Christine began her career as a public school speech therapist before moving into educational administration. She was a principal at St. Rita School and Holy Apostles School in Wisconsin. She retired in 2004 from the position of Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Planning, Plainfield School District 202. Christine was proud of her service that extended beyond her career. She served as co-facilitator of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Synod Planning and Coordination Committee, president of the Du Page County School Personnel Administrators Consortium (PACT), and member of the Du Page Area Vocational Education Board (DAVEA), the Will County Career Education Board, (WILCO), and the Lewis University Department of Education Advisory Board. Christine was especially proud of her work with the Eastern Illinois University Foundation, ultimately serving as board president. She was honored by the opportunity to give back to that educational institution where, as she once wrote, the "experience and community culture have been woven into my personal and professional life."

Christine was passionate about travel, and cherished many international trips with her daughter. A patron of the arts, she loved the theater and ballet. Christine is remembered by those who admired her as a woman of faith, a lover of music, and a wonderful cook.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband John Robertson, brother William (Ann), and her sister Sheila. Loving mother of Maura; adored aunt, cousin, and friend to many.

In lieu of flowers, contributions to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or A.D.O.P.T. Pet Shelter in Naperville, IL appreciated. Visitation: Sunday, October 27th 2:00-7:00 PM at **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home**, 44 S. Mill St., Naperville, IL 60540. Mass of Christian Burial: Monday, October 28th 10:30 AM at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 1215 Modaff Rd, Naperville, IL 60540. Interment to follow at SS. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Naperville IL. For more information, please call 630-355-0213 or www.friedrich-jones.com



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Sanchez, Barbara A.

Barbara A. Sanchez, nee Sakowicz, age 76, of Chicago passed away October 22, 2019. Loving wife of John for 50 years; dear mother of Daniel (Erin) Sanchez, Victoria Sanchez, and Rebecca Sanchez (William Desch); proud grandmother of Nathan and Molly Sanchez; fond sister of Edward (Dietlind) Sakowicz; cherished daughter of the late Edward and Victoria Sakowicz. Visitation Sunday, October 27, 2019 from 1-7 pm at Matz Funeral Home, 3440 N. Central Ave., Chicago, Prayers at the funeral home Monday 9:15 am proceeding to St. Bartholomew Church. Mass 10 am. Interment Maryhill Cemetery. For info: (773) 545-5420 or www.matzfuneralhome.com

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Schroer, Stanley Allan

Stanley Allan Schroer, 92, the adored husband of the late Paula; loving father of Charles Gross, Margie (Alex) Georgopoulos, Marty (Jamie) Schroer and Lisa (Kipp) Schrage; loving father-in-law of Beth Palzet; devoted grandfather of David, John, Nicole, Marisa, Michael, Amanda, Lauren, Yale, William, Matthew, Tyler and Stephen; Great-grandfather of 15. A talented artist and music lover who studied at the Art Institute of Chicago starting when he was 12 years old. Gastronomic chef supreme, fiery liberal spirit, dog lover, martini lover. Private interment Westlawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to The Nora Project (thenoraproject.ngo). Info: **The Goldman Funeral Group**, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.



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SKWAREK, DOROTHY M.

Dorothy M. Skwarek (nee Derek), 91, died surrounded by family on October 20th. Beloved wife of the late Louis, she is survived by 4 children, Ron (the late Mary Ann), Lynn Huck (Jim), Wayne (Toni), and Dave (Renee); 10 grandchildren Julie Stay (Nick), Victoria Hansen (Zak), Michael (Kate), Tony Huck (Juliana), Alison, Joe, Nick (fiancée Erica), Alicia, Lily & Matthew; and 3 great-grandchildren Elizabeth Hansen, Colin Stay, and Anna Huck. Visitation 2 to 8PM Sunday, Oct. 27 at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 1025 W. 55th Street, Countryside. Funeral prayers 10:15AM Monday, Oct.28 from the funeral home to St. John of the Cross Church, 5005 S. Wolf Road, Western Springs for Mass at 11AM. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Funeral Info: (708) 352-6500. Full Obituary at hjfunerals.com



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Spisak, Loretta J.

Loretta J. Spisak, age 90, of Oak Lawn, IL, passed away peacefully on October 24, 2019. She is survived by many loving relatives and friends, especially her close companion Maria Chlopecki. Loretta was a retired Chicago Public School teacher. She was an avid reader and stayed up to date on current events. Mass of Christian Burial will be Wednesday, October 30, 2019 at 11:00 am at St. Linus Catholic Church (10300 S. Lawler Ave.; Oak Lawn, IL 60453). She will be laid to rest in Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery of Calumet City, IL. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. Linus Catholic Church.

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Szczepanik, James E.

James E. Szczepanik, age 67, of Sturgeon Bay, WI, formerly of Wilmette, IL and Highland Park, IL. Loving husband, friend, and partner of 46 years to Lynda Szczepanik nee Cialabrini; dear father of Jamie Szczepanik and Scott (Karina) Stepanik; dear grandfather to Olivia and Emile; brother of Michael (Janette) Szczepanik and Mary (Gerald) Kuna; brother in law of Richard (Diane) Cialabrini; uncle to Anthony, Richard, Christopher, Jacqueline and Ellen; son of the late John and the late Lucille (LaPlant) Szczepanik. Jim enjoyed the simple things in life. He took pleasure in nature, driving his vintage Rolls Royce, time in Door County, and travel with his wife, but most of all he enjoyed his family and friends. Jim received a Bachelor's of Physics and an MBA from the University of Chicago. He was a partner for almost 40 years as a managing and restructuring consultant. Visitation Sunday, October 27, 2019 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a celebration of Jim's life at 5:00 p.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard, at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, Illinois 60077. In lieu of flowers, please make a memorial contribution to Juvenile Diabetes Illinois Chapter, 1 N LaSalle St., Chicago, IL 60602. Info: 847-675-1990 or www.donnellanfuneral.com.



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Walczak, Joyce Frances

Joyce Frances Walczak, age 89, died on Tuesday, September 10, 2019, in Apple Valley, California. From her birth in Chicago, Illinois, on May 14, 1930, to her death, she nurtured her family with love, hard work, and resilience. Raised in the historic Beverly neighborhood of Chicago with her brother Bob, mother Rose and father Gustav, she worked for the Chicago Motor Club after graduating high school. She met her husband Chester on a blind date set up by one of her co-workers, Chester's younger sister. Joyce and Chester married on New Year's Eve in 1960 and moved to the Brainerd neighborhood in Chicago, where their children, David, Tony, Steve and Kristine were born. Joyce lived with her family in Tinley Park, IL, for 24 years until she moved to Apple Valley after the passing of her husband, where she remained until her death. Left to always love and remember Joyce are her three children, Tony Walczak, Steve (Tracey) Walczak, Kristine (Doug Broderick) Walczak; two grandchildren, Katie (Jeff) Berrios and Madeline Broderick; two great-grandchildren, Matthew Berrios and Tucker Berrios; nieces Vivian (Tim) Williams, Jane Ehrenstrom and Cheryl Walczak; nephews Robert Ehrenstrom, Jon (Danette) Ehrenstrom, Griffith (Nancy) Ehrenstrom, Gregory (Sue) Johnson, Mark Johnson and Joseph (Linda) Johnson; and many grandnieces and grand-nephews she never had the opportunity to meet. Joyce never liked being the center of attention, and per her wishes, there will be a private burial on Saturday, October 26, 2019, where she will be laid to rest in peace with her departed husband and son, David. Joyce loved animals, especially birds, so all who wish to honor Joyce's life are invited to hang a bird feeder at their home.

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CUBS

Ross not afraid to dish out tough love

New Cubs manager will demand his old teammates' best effort

BY MARK GONZALES

David Ross made a clear distinction that he can administer discipline to his former teammates, if necessary, in his new position as Cubs manager.

"A lot has been made, and rightfully so, of my connection to the 2016 World Series team and the notion that I'll now be managing players I once counted on as teammates," Ross said in a statement that accompanied Thursday's announcement of his hiring.

"Having those relationships going into this will be a bonus, no doubt about it. But those guys know I'll be the first to hold them accountable, the first to demand their best daily effort and the first to let them know about it if they give anything but their best."

Ross, 42, has security in the form of a three-year contract with an option for 2023. He can reinforce the trust of team officials by re-establishing the firm structure in place when he played for the Cubs in 2015 and '16.

Those were the final two years of Ross' 15-year major-league catching career, culminating in the 2016 World Series title. Ten of his teammates from that team are on the current active roster.

"I never had a problem dishing out a lot of tough love as their teammate, and that won't change as their manager," said Ross, who also won a World Series ring with the 2013 Red Sox. "We'll have our fair share of fun along the way, but working hard as a team, playing fundamental team baseball and winning a lot of games will be our top priorities."

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PAUL SULLIVAN
On the Cubs

Importance of managers questionable

As the managerial vacancies thinned this week with the hiring of David Ross by the Cubs, Joe Girardi by the Phillies and Jayce Tingler by the Padres, the bigger question remains unanswered:

Do managers really matter anymore?

Baseball executives will tell you they do, even as they shy away from handing out big money or long-term deals, such as the inexplicable 10-year, \$50 million deal Mike Scioscia once received from the Angels.

Sure, you still need someone to make out the lineups, though general managers often "advise" managers on the best lineups based on advanced analytics. And of course you need someone to make pitching changes, though "game-planning" with general managers before games also makes that less crucial.

Arguing with umpires? That's irrelevant now in the age of replay review.

Motivational speaker? The biggest motivator for any player today is the possibility of getting a nine-figure contract.

The notion of an all-powerful manager is just an illusion in the 21st century, where modern technology, the replacement of old-school GMs with highly educated executives and the reliance on analytics over gut instinct have combined to marginalize the role.

That's not to say hiring Ross — or any of the others — isn't a smart move. Until they eliminate the job completely and go with robo-managers, you need someone in the dugout to make decisions.

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THE MARC SLIDE

After an encouraging first year in Chicago, Marc Trestman had his Bears at 3-3 in Year 2 before an epic collapse.

BUT AS END-TIME SCENARIOS ARE BEING THROWN AROUND CHICAGO AND THE WORLDWIDE WEB, OUR "REAL TALK" DUO SAYS 2019 IS NOT 2014. THEY THINK. **PAGE 7**

Trubisky must turn others' talk into better action

BY DAN WIEDERER

Mitch Trubisky's ugliest performance of his third season has been dissected and damned to the fullest extent.

The yellow tape is now being taken down from around the Bears' 36-25 loss to the Saints, the crime scene investigation finally drawing to a close. For Matt Nagy's team, it was a brutal defeat, characterized by questionable play-calling and shaky quarterback play. Through three quarters, Trubisky had only three completions of longer than 10 yards on 27 pass attempts. Worse, the volume of unacceptable misfires proved alarming.

There has been plenty of discussion



JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Mitch Trubisky's crestfallen look Sunday pretty much summed up his entire day.

about the easy third-and-5 throw Trubisky missed to Taylor Gabriel on the Bears' second drive. (If the Bears convert there, who knows if the game unfolds differently.)



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Chargers at Bears
Noon Sunday, FOX-32

There also have been legitimate questions as to how a third-year NFL quarterback could possibly throw the ball away on fourth-and-3. (Seriously, how does that happen?)

In addition, an intense social media microscope has been zeroed in on the 8-yard sack Trubisky took on a run-pass option early in the second quarter, an error that seemed to be a microcosm of the entire day.

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TOP OF THE SECOND

MARK GONZALES

Maddon dream: Beat Cubs in Series

The Angels have more work ahead of them than the Cubs in their quest to return to the World Series.

But that didn't stop Joe Maddon from sharing a dream Thursday during his introductory news conference as Angels manager.

Maddon was asked "what happened in Chicago" that led to his departure after five seasons, which included four National League playoff appearances, three NL Championship Series appearances and a 2016 World Series title — the franchise's first since 1908.

Maddon saved his best line for last after praising the franchise's accomplishments during his Cubs tenure and "a lot of outreach from my guys in Chicago" and wished them well.

"And the ultimate goal — you want to talk about a pipe dream — that we play them in the World Series and beat them," he told reporters in Anaheim, Calif. "That would be my pipe dream."

As for missing the playoffs with the Cubs in 2019, Maddon replied: "It just wasn't clicking at the of the year like it had the last couple years. That's not to say that I couldn't have stayed there. I could have."

"But I have nothing but warm fuzzies about five years in Chicago."

Maddon, 65, reminisced about his roots in the Angels system that started in 1976 as a minor-league player and ran through the 2005 season as bench coach before leaving to manage the Tampa Bay Devil Rays in 2006. He said he also wanted to rejuvenate the Angels' alumni base, which was heavily represented.

"How cool is this?" Maddon said in his opening remarks.

Maddon signed a three-year, \$12 million contract to replace Brad Ausmus, who was fired after one year. The Cubs on Thursday named David Ross as Maddon's successor.

Maddon vowed to marry new-age analytics with old-school fundamentals in an effort to bring back the style of play that made the Angels one of baseball's most dominant franchises from 2002-2009.

"We're gonna bunt this year, guys," Maddon said, drawing applause from an audience that included current Angels players Albert Pujols, Shohei Ohtani and David Fletcher and former Angels Rod Carew, Garret Anderson, Adam Kennedy and Bobby Grich.



GARY CORONADO/LOS ANGELES TIMES

Joe Maddon, center, is introduced as Angels manager on Thursday.

"I like courage, I like fearlessness, I like not being afraid of making mistakes ... with the proper guys. (We're going) to put the hit-and-run sign on with the proper count. If a stolen base is there based on a pitcher's time to the plate, then steal a bag. They should go first to third (on singles). They shouldn't miss a cutoff guy."

The Angels won the 2002 World Series and 2004 and 2005 American League West titles while Maddon was the bench coach under Mike Scioscia, and they won three division titles from 2007-2009 with an offensive approach that leaned on contact, situational hitting and aggressive baserunning.

"What's going on in the game today ... it's data vs. art — that's what it comes down to for me," Maddon said. "Art being the human heartbeat, data being numbers, the math, etc. I believe there's a balance to be struck right there."

"You can use both these things to your advantage but you should never ever want to disassociate one or the other. To just be

all analytically inclined or all heartbeat inclined, you're going to lose. You're not going to be the best version of yourself."

While hitters set major-league records for home runs and strikeouts again this season, Maddon said he hopes an emphasis on contact, baserunning and defense — and effective pitching — will produce more exciting baseball.

"In today's game, everybody is working off the same sheet of music," Maddon said. "There's a reason why fans have been turned off a bit by our game, and that's because the game looks the same regardless of where you go."

"I want us to reestablish our identity here. While we're playing the analytical game, I want us also to play the Angels game. And for all these guys, who you are as a human being matters."

Los Angeles Times reporter Mike Digiiovanna contributed from Anaheim, Calif.

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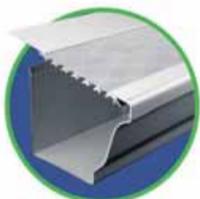
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BASEBALL



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Juan Soto, center background, has sparked the Nationals offense in the postseason. He scored three times in Wednesday's rout.

WORLD SERIES

It's a stunner, so far

Soto, rest of Nationals offense getting it done against Astros' vaunted aces

BY BEN WALKER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Walking off the field after the final out, Juan Soto smiled as he approached manager Dave Martinez and held up a pair of fingers.

"Two more," Soto told his skipper. By then, Minute Maid Park was nearly empty and mostly silent, except for a small clutch of fans behind the Nationals' dugout. Suffice to say, it will look and sound a lot different Friday night at Nationals Park.

Halfway to a World Series championship in a city that hasn't claimed the crown since 1924, the Nationals have watched everything go their way in taking a 2-0 lead over the discombobulated Astros, who were heavily favored at the start.

Not that anyone expected exactly this. Those taut, tense pitching duels that were set with aces Gerrit Cole, Max Scherzer, Justin Verlander and Stephen Strasburg on the mound?

Nope. "Just about when we all predict what this is supposed to be about, the game will show you that you know maybe a little bit less and less the more you're around it," Astros manager AJ Hinch said.

Instead, the biggest star so far is a hitter — Soto, still in his first full season and already with a knack for clutch knocks.

It was Soto's eighth-inning hit that rallied the Nationals past the Brewers in the NL wild-card game. He then hit a tying home run off Dodgers ace Clayton Kershaw in the eighth during the deciding Game 5 of the Division Series.

Soto was just getting warmed up, apparently.

He's 4-for-7 with a homer and two doubles in the World Series, driving in three runs and scoring three and also stealing a base. And those shakes and shimmies he does at the plate, no wonder it's called the Soto Shuffle.

And how's this for timing — his 21st birthday is Friday, when Anibal Sanchez is scheduled to start for the Nationals against Zack Greinke. It will be the first World Series game in Washington since 1933 with the Senators.

Just imagine the party Soto's adoring crowd will throw at pumped-up Nationals Park.



ELSA/GETTY

Astros manager AJ Hinch takes ace Justin Verlander out of Game 2 on Wednesday night.

"It's going to feel amazing," he said. "I can't wait for it to happen."

Soto and the Nationals wrapped up a 12-3 romp Wednesday night and made the Astros look awful in the process.

"Clearly, the Nats have outplayed us, bottom line. They came into our building and played two really good games," Hinch said. "We're going to have to try to sleep off the latter third of this game. I don't want to lump this into a horrible game; it was a horrible three innings for us."

Kurt Suzuki got the ball rolling — flying, rather — by leading off the seventh inning with a tiebreaking home run off Justin Verlander. Things quickly turned messy for the Astros, and the Nationals pulled away with late homers from Adam Eaton and Michael A. Taylor.

"Not in a million, billion, gazillion years did I ever think I'd homer in the World Series," Eaton said.

It hasn't been that long since a team overcame this kind of deficit in the World Series, but it's been a while.

Only three of the last 25 teams to drop the first two games at home under the 2-3-2 format have rallied to take the title. The last to do it were the 1996 Yankees against the Braves.

The Astros led the majors with 107 victories and now need to win two of three to merely send the matchup back to Houston.

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"You can't dwell on two games not putting everything together. Something goes our way, one ball goes our way, one line drive finds a gap instead of going at somebody, and everything changes," Verlander said.

"Things didn't go our way," he said. "We don't have time to feel bad about ourselves. Reset and come into an environment that we know is going to be pretty crazy and be ready to play baseball like we know we can."

Fact is, the Nationals know what they can do, too. They've won eight in a row this postseason and 18 of 20 overall dating to the stretch run.

Not bad for a team that clearly remembers when it was 19-31 and things didn't look too promising.

Of course, that was May. This is October. "We're just playing baseball," NLCS MVP Howie Kendrick said. "Luck's going to happen when it happens."

Astros fire assistant GM Taubman

Team dismisses executive over 'inappropriate' language

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Astros fired assistant general manager Brandon Taubman for directing inappropriate comments at female reporters following the team's pennant-winning victory over the Yankees last weekend.

The Astros made the announcement Thursday and said Taubman's conduct did not reflect the organization's values.

"We believe this is the most appropriate course of action," the Astros said in a statement.

Taubman has previously apologized for

using language that was "unprofessional and inappropriate" in the clubhouse following Saturday night's victory. Sports Illustrated reported he repeatedly yelled toward a group of female reporters about closer Roberto Osuna, who was suspended for 75 games last year for violating MLB's domestic violence policy before being traded from the Blues Jays to the Astros.

Taubman shouted "Thank God we got Osuna!" according to SI, which said he made similar remarks several times, punctuating them with a profanity.

The Astros initially said SI had tried to "fabricate a story where one does not exist" and maintained Taubman's comments weren't directed at reporters.



Taubman

"Our initial investigation led us to believe that Brandon Taubman's inappropriate comments were not directed toward any reporter. We were wrong," the Astros said Thursday. "Subsequent interviews revealed that Taubman's inappropriate comments were, in fact, directed toward one or more reporters. ... We have terminated Brandon Taubman's employment with the Houston Astros."

The team apologized to the SI reporter, the magazine and people who saw the incident, and to those who were offended.

"The Astros are very committed to using our voice to create awareness and support on the issue of domestic violence," the team said.

CUBS

Grievance for Bryant could change much

BY MARK GONZALES

The Major League Baseball Players Association, on behalf of Kris Bryant, filed a grievance that will be heard this week regarding the alleged manipulation of his service time that prevents him from becoming a free agent until after the 2021 season.

This decision could affect Bryant's future as well as that of the Cubs, who already must decide whether to try to sign him to an extension this winter or trade him to assure themselves of compensation before free agency.

Here are some questions and answers as to why this happened and the potential ramifications.

What is service time?

Major-league players get service time for each day spent on the 25-man roster or the injured list, according to MLB's collective bargaining agreement. A regular season consists of 187 days, and each day spent on the active roster or injured list earns a player one day of service time. Players earn one year of service when they accrue 172 days in a season. Once they earn three years of service time, they are eligible for salary arbitration. After six years of service, a player becomes eligible for free agency.

Why was the grievance filed?

Bryant, agent Scott Boras and the MLBPA believe Bryant began the 2015 season at Triple-A Iowa solely so the Cubs could delay the start of his service-time clock. Bryant batted .425 with nine home runs and 15 RBIs in 40 at-bats in 2015 spring training, but the Cubs said Bryant needed to continue his development at third base while cutting down on strikeouts. Bryant and infielder Addison Russell were among the final cuts of spring training.

What was Bryant's reaction then?

He was not happy. "I'm disappointed," Bryant said on April 2, 2015. "I really tried as hard as I could. I woke up every day excited to come to the field, and I still do. I think there's a lot to be excited about as a Cubs fan and as a Cubs player. I'm just disappointed I don't get to have an opportunity to do it at the beginning of the year, but I'll be cheering them on." The demotion has stuck with Bryant, who has expressed disappointment several times, as recently as last spring.

When was he finally promoted?

After three weeks with Iowa, Bryant made his major-league debut April 17, 2015. He took the roster spot of third baseman Mike Olt, who had suffered a right wrist injury. Because Bryant wasn't on the major-league roster for 12 days that season, missing the cutoff by one day (the season consisted of 183 days in 2015), he won't be eligible for free agency until after 2021.

When will a decision be announced?

There's no telling when the arbitrator will reveal his decision after he hears the case. It could be days or weeks.

What is Bryant's current status?

Bryant is under team control for the next two seasons. The sides have avoided an arbitration hearing the last two winters. Bryant, 27, earned \$12.9 million last season, and his 2020 salary could exceed \$18 million after he batted .282 with 31 home runs, 77 RBIs and a .903 OPS despite coping with a sore right knee the final three months.

What are Bryant's chances of winning?

The collective bargaining agreement between the owners and the MLBPA clearly states that a minimum of six years of major-league service is needed for a player to become eligible for free agency. The Cubs promoted Bryant only after Olt was placed on the injured list — and they followed the rules of the agreement. The perception that Bryant was promoted one day shy of being eligible for a full year of service time looks suspicious, but it might not be convincing enough for him to win. Nevertheless, all it takes is one arbitrator to agree with the MLBPA's case for Bryant to be eligible for free agency one year sooner.

Who else could be affected by this?

Many people. From Bryant to the Cubs to every major-league player within two years of free agency to every team. The CBA expires shortly after the 2021 season, and several players — including All-Stars Mike Trout and Nolan Arenado — signed long-term deals with their current teams last spring, one year before they were eligible for free agency. If Bryant wins his grievance, the Cubs might have a more urgent desire to trade him ahead of free agency. The Cubs could re-sign Bryant but would risk receiving only a compensatory draft pick if they don't trade him and he signs with another team. Bryant is not alone. Vladimir Guerrero Jr. wasn't promoted until April 26 this season. The Blue Jays said Guerrero needed to work on his defense — a reason similar to the one the Cubs used — in sending Guerrero to the minors to start the season. Tony Clark, executive director of the MLBPA, has expressed concerns about the manipulation of service time. So expect service-time rules to be one of the major topics during negotiations on the next CBA.

CUBS



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Kris Bryant, from left, David Ross and Anthony Rizzo walk together during spring training.

Ross

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Ross will be formally introduced at a news conference Monday as the fourth manager Theo Epstein has hired in his eight years as Cubs president.

Epstein emphasized, also in a statement, that Ross' association with the team, including the last three seasons as a special assistant in baseball operations, wasn't an overriding factor in the decision to hire him.

"David's connection to the organization and his relationships with his former teammates could be assets initially, but they were not factors in our decision nor will they be critical to his long-term success in the role," Epstein said. "He earned the job on the merits, and he will move the team forward in a new and different direction."

Specifically, the Cubs picked Ross to replace Joe Maddon with the expectation he can blend the individual talents into a more cohesive unit — from players stretching and taking batting practice together to becoming more accountable for their play.

"David is as gifted a leader as I've ever come across, and I expect him to become a great manager," Epstein said. "He is a natural connector with a high baseball IQ and a passion for winning. David has always stood out for his ability to cultivate the ingredients of a winning culture — accountability, hard work, hustle, competitiveness, trust, togetherness and team identity."

Maddon, who was introduced as Angels manager Thursday at a news conference in Anaheim, Calif., said he sent a text message to Epstein to congratulate him on hiring Ross.

"He's going to be perfect in that situation," Maddon told reporters at Angels Stadium. "David and I remain very close.

"David is wonderful. Everything you've

read about him that's who he is. He's a great leader. He's straightforward. He's blunt but in a good way. And as we've talked about, he really understands pitching. So he's a perfect choice."

The Cubs thought so much of Ross that they signed him to a two-year contract in December 2014 to catch prized free-agent signee Jon Lester, whom Ross had caught with the Red Sox, as well as to provide leadership.

Ross quickly took charge, starting with a scolding of first baseman Anthony Rizzo after a botched rundown drill during one of the first spring training workouts in 2015 and continuing with mentoring rookie catcher Willson Contreras the next season.

Contreras' defensive development could be one of the first projects for Ross. Coach Mike Borzello works with the catchers in all facets.

Cubs Chairman Tom Ricketts described Ross in a statement as a "proven winner, and we look forward to him leading our team back to the postseason."

Ross inherits a team that has gradually slipped since winning the 2016 World Series, his final season as a player. The Cubs failed to reach the playoffs this year for the first time since 2014, which led to them parting ways with Maddon after five seasons.

Furthermore, the roster could be dramatically altered if third baseman Kris Bryant or shortstop Javier Baez is traded to address other needs.

But Ross said he's eager to direct the franchise to a singular goal.

"My time with this organization has been special since the day I joined, so to continue with the club in this role is a blessing for which I'm so very thankful," Ross said. "We have accomplished so much together since 2015, and my desire to lead this organization to another World Series championship could not be any stronger."

Sullivan

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But will any of them truly make a difference?

"You hire a person to be your leader not because of his resume, but who and what he is," Indians President Chris Antonetti told The Athletic's Peter Gammons. "The title 'manager' really isn't what you're hiring. It's the leader for the entire organization.

"One doesn't lead because someone says you're the manager. The jobs are all different in different markets and in different situations. Experience obviously is preferable because experience helps prepare one for situations.

"For instance, lightening things up, humor is a good thing. But a manager is together with his players for 230 days in a year, and humor only goes so far. Authenticity, empathy (and) humility are all very important."

Ross certainly provides all of those qualities. He was always up for fun in the clubhouse and never was averse to mocking himself over his paltry offensive numbers or his status as a backup catcher, like the Bob Uecker of his era. By all accounts he was the first to utter the famous words "Try not to suck," the mantra of the 2016 champs.

There's little doubt he knows the game, and as Ross said in a statement Thursday when the hiring was made official, he "never had a problem dishing out a lot of tough love."

Of course, how much "tough love" will be dished out will be watched intently, as his close relationship with several former teammates seems to be the thing about which most of the "anti-Grandpa" crowd is concerned. Dale Sveum dished out a lot of "tough love" to Starlin Castro and Anthony Rizzo in 2013, but President Theo Epstein thought it was too much and eventually fired Sveum after the season.

But now he wants more? Go figure.

You never know who will make a good manager. Some thought the White Sox were crazy to hire the outspoken Ozzie Guillen in 2004, but he turned out to be perhaps the best manager in franchise history and guided them to their only title of the last century in 2005.

The Brewers appeared as though they were just looking for a genial local guy when they hired Wisconsin native Craig Counsell in 2015, but he has done more than almost any other manager in the game given the limited resources he has in Milwaukee.

Ross could be in that category or he could wind up as the next Brad Ausmus, a

cerebral catcher who obviously knew the game but was overmatched with the Tigers and underwhelming in his one failed season with the Angels. That Ausmus continues to get interviewed for job openings, while Guillen seemingly remains blackballed, says all you need to know about what modern-day execs are seeking in a manager.

Former Cubs pitcher Jeff Samardzija aptly called it "puppeteering" or installing "yes men and guys that are almost like personality cops in the dugout that keep everybody happy and talk to the media." Strong personalities need not apply.

Joe Maddon had his faults, but he was nobody's puppet. He let the players police themselves like adults, which apparently was part of his undoing. National baseball writer Ken Rosenthal tweeted Thursday the Cubs "thought Maddon shied away from tough conversations," a lame criticism from management after the fact, especially when it's done anonymously through the media.

Epstein still has never explained publicly why Maddon had to be let go.

I don't claim to know Ross well, but he doesn't strike me as a "yes man" who will agree with everything Epstein says and simply toe the company line. At least I hope not.

Unfortunately for Ross, however, he will be micro-analyzed by the media and fans because of his close relationship with Epstein and former teammates such as Rizzo, Jon Lester and Jason Heyward. He'll have to prove he's not another puppet, which is easier said than done.

But this is probably Epstein's last managerial hire, at least in Chicago, so he might as well go out with someone he loves and respects. While he likely has a job for life if he wants it, Epstein has two years left on his contract, which will make it 10 years on the job.

Football legend Bill Walsh used to say that coaches and executives should seek change after 10 years with the same team," Epstein wrote in 2011 in a farewell column in the Boston Globe.

"The theory is that both the individual and the organization benefit from a change after so much time together. The executive gets rebirth and the energy that comes with a new challenge; the organization gets a fresh perspective and the chance for true change that comes with new leadership."

If this really is the final frontier for Epstein, he's going to do things his way, with his friend at the helm. He has earned the benefit of the doubt after changing the culture of a franchise synonymous with losing.

It may or may not work, but it certainly won't be dull.

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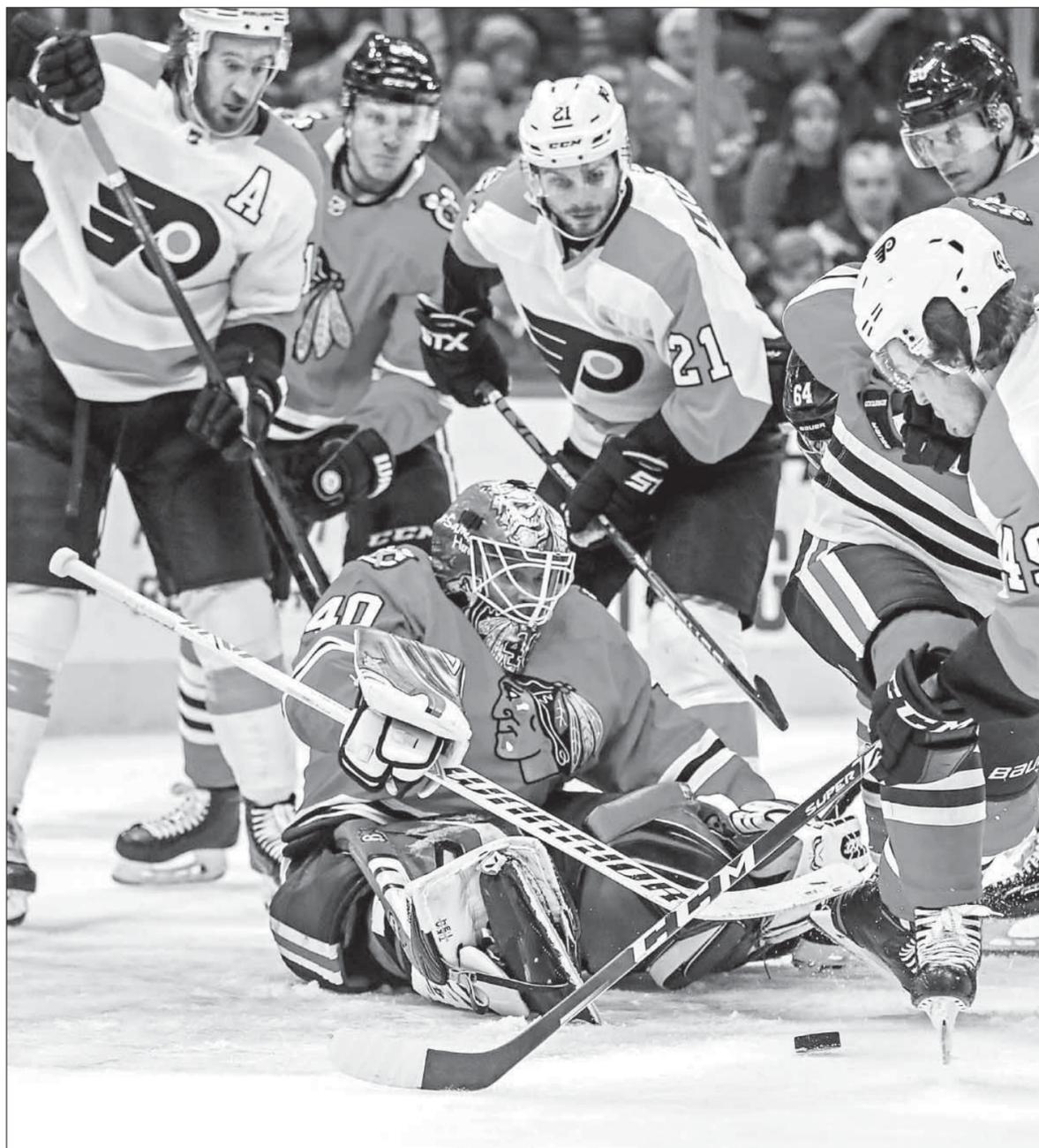
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BLACKHAWKS RECAP

The Blackhawks played their worst period of the season Thursday night during a 4-1 loss to the Flyers at the United Center. It was their third straight defeat and capped a disappointing 2-3-2 homestand. The Flyers outshot the Hawks 13-1 during a miserable second period for the Hawks. But Brandon Saad's third goal of the season on a breakaway one minute into the third cut the Hawks' deficit to 2-1. Rookie Kirby Dach assisted on the goal, giving him points in his last two games. The Flyers' Kevin Hayes slipped past Brent Seabrook at mid-ice for a breakaway and beat Robin Lehner to restore the Flyers' two-goal advantage, and James van Riemsdyk added a goal for the final margin. For more coverage, go to chicagotribune.com/sports

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Toews still can't locate typical scoring touch

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD

It doesn't matter how the finale of the Blackhawks' season-long seven-game homestand turns out, the best they can do is take a .500 record with them when they head out on the road again.

The Hawks entered Thursday's game against the Flyers with a 2-3-2 mark but with the belief that they're trending upward. The loss of Connor Murphy for at least 11 games to a groin injury was a blow to an improving defense, though coach Jeremy Colliton thinks the Hawks have the depth to get by.

"We're getting there," Colliton said. "I think we're defensively getting better and better. We haven't scored as we probably would expect to, (but) I'm not concerned about that. I think that's going to come, the power play's going to come. We have top players who are going to produce for us."

Colliton said as much, but all it takes is a glance at the stat sheet to know the Hawks' top players have not produced so far this season.

Patrick Kane has a team-high three goals, down from the seven he had after seven games last season. Alex DeBrincat has two goals after scoring 69 over the last two seasons, but both of those have come on the power play.

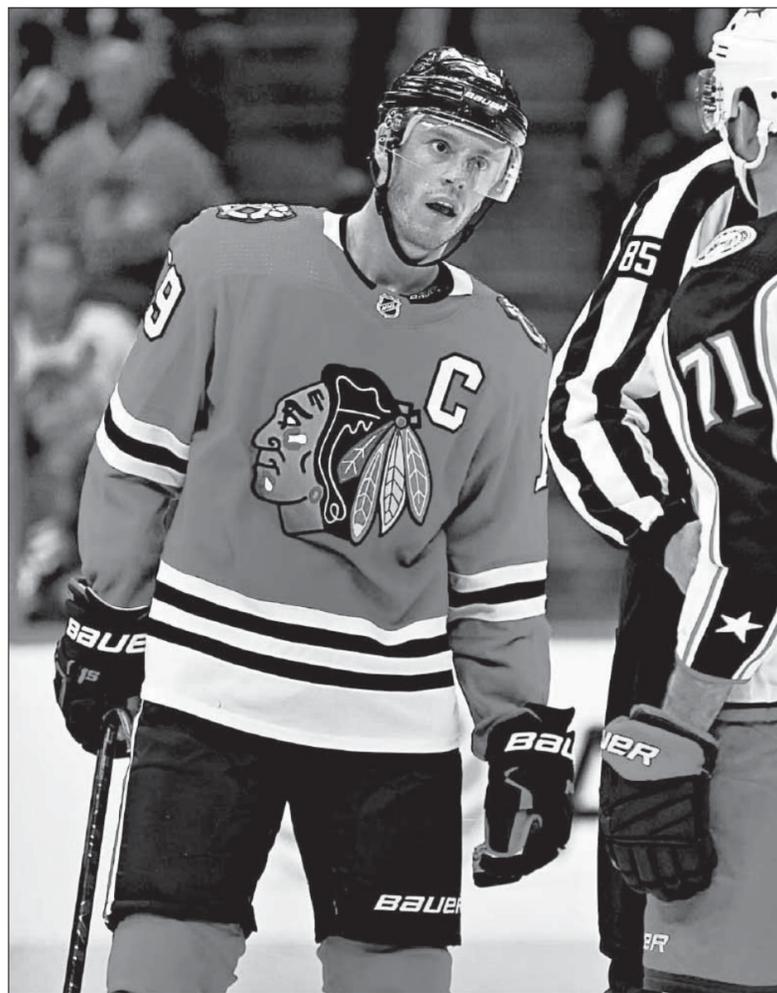
When Jonathan Toews began the season without a point in three games, there wasn't any concern, but his cold stretch isn't showing signs of abating.

Toews has an overtime goal that bounced in off his thigh and a secondary assist on an empty-net goal that helped the Hawks close out a 3-1 win last week against the Blue Jackets, but that has been it through the first seven games. Despite playing more minutes than any forward other than Kane, Toews is one of three Hawks forwards — reserves Zack Smith and Brendan Perlini are the others — without any points during five-on-five play this season.

"The puck's not going in because I'm not getting chances," Toews said after Thursday's morning skate. "Can't just magically put it in the net if I'm not getting shots, not creating chances. Got to start there."

So how can Toews create more chances? "A lot of little things," he said. "(I've) got to play with more energy, got to be harder on the puck, got to win some draws in the offensive zone. Getting plenty of chances down there. (I'm) just losing draws and end up going back to (our) own end and playing there. Building some chemistry with my linemates and just get my game going."

Toews has had a variety of linemates this season, beginning with Kane and Alex



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Jonathan Toews exchanges some words with Blue Jackets left wing Nick Foligno.

Nylander for the first two games. Colliton then moved DeBrincat and Drake Caggiula onto Toews' line for three games before Kirby Dach replaced Caggiula for the most recent two.

Colliton has shown a willingness to shake things up to try and get players going, but one thing he isn't considering is moving Brandon Saad to Toews' line. The third line with Saad, David Kampf and Dominik Kubalik has been superb in every game. Colliton broke them up for the latter half of the second game of the season by moving Kubalik to the top line, but the results were not productive.

"That line has been our best for some time," Colliton said.

"We haven't been as dynamic offensively as we were in the past, but we've been in every game. When things have gone against us momentum-wise, that line in particular has been able to go out there and turn things back for us."

"That's a pretty good formula for success long term."

"I don't feel the combinations are getting in the way of us having success in the top of our lineup. We've just got to keep pushing, working on our details away from the puck, and that will create more offense for us."

BULLS TAKEAWAYS

Defensive lapses prove detrimental

BY PHIL THOMPSON

The Hornets defeated the Bulls 126-125 on Wednesday night in the season opener for both teams.

It was a disappointing loss, but the Bulls say they will learn from it.

"We've got to get good shots," coach Jim Boylen said. "We were up 10 and we had a chance to push it to 12 and we didn't do it. It's a key learning moment for us. We'll watch it and get better."

Here are three takeaways from Wednesday night's game.

1. Why the defense had breakdowns.

In one fourth-quarter sequence the Hornets had numbers and Devonte Graham was left wide open for a 3-pointer as Otto Porter closed in too late.

Later, the Bulls lost track of Graham again in transition with more than four minutes remaining. Zach LaVine rushed to him and put up a hand to no avail.

With 1:13 left, two Bulls collapsed on Graham, who dished to a wide-open Dwayne Bacon for a 3-pointer, giving the Hornets a four-point lead that put the Bulls in a bind. Tomas Satoransky had tried to switch off to Bacon, but again it was too late.

"We've got to get there," Boylen said. "I thought they stung us a little bit, kind of punched us. We didn't respond right away, (but) we got our sea legs back and got back in the game."

"It's good to play a close game. We'll learn and get better."

It wasn't just transition defense, though. The Bulls worked on transition, one-on-one and perimeter defense in camp, all liabilities last season and all lapses that returned at the Spectrum Center on Wednesday.

"I don't think we communicated well enough," Lauri Markkanen said. "You don't really have a man in transition. You've just got to find a man."

"And there was times that we had two on the ball and someone got a wide-open 3-point shot. Cody Zeller got a couple of wide-open dunks. That's unacceptable for us."

Added Boylen: "I thought they had us on rotations. I thought they got downhill on us. I thought at times our one-on-one defense hurt us. We've got to help and you have to commit to the driver and they sprayed it out."

The Bulls defense did have its moments.

After trailing by as many as 16 in the second quarter, the Bulls chipped away in the third and got the Hornets to commit three turnovers in a two-minute span in the fourth, when the Bulls built a 10-point lead.

"We got stops," Markkanen said. "We talked about getting three stops in a row; we got five stops in a row. That way we got to run. We got in transition. We got a couple of layups and dunks."

"That's what got us going. That's what we've got to build on."

2. Lauri Markkanen's 17 rebounds mean a lot.

It would be easy to focus on the his 35 points on 13-of-25 shooting, but Markkanen also grabbed 17 boards.

Last year he averaged nine. On a night when his long-range shot was off, his work at the basket scoring and rebounding fed off each other.

"Just trying to be active," he said. "Playing the two-man game and just being aggressive."

"That's what I tried to do. And rebound. I feel confident with the ball when I get a couple of touches early off the board."

3. Coby White tied for the team lead in assists.

The North Carolina native bought 13 tickets for family, friends and a few former Tar Heels teammates, and there seemed to be few nerves playing in front of a home crowd in his NBA debut.

"It's just a blessing for me," White said. "To have my first game in my home state means a lot. But you just try to go out there and start the season in the right direction."

White made driving layups and a 3-pointer to score 17 points (tied for second-most on the Bulls), but he also matched LaVine with seven assists.

White led the Tar Heels last season with 4.1 assists per game, but he has worked during and after practice on his 3-point game and making decisions.

Boylen called him very coachable. "Coby's great," Boylen said. "He's a competitive kid."

"He competes, he plays hard, he cares. He's learning."



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Bulls guard Coby White had 17 points and seven assists in his NBA debut.

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STEVEN SENNE/AP

DL Michael Bennett has tallied 2½ sacks so far this season and 65½ in his career.

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Cowboys trade for DL Bennett

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The Cowboys have made a trade to try to upgrade their roster during the open week for the second straight year, although this move isn't quite as bold.

The Cowboys acquired defensive lineman Michael Bennett from the Patriots for a conditional late-round draft pick in 2021, The Associated Press reported Thursday.

The open week for the Cowboys (4-3) was after seven games last year as well, when they sent their first-round pick in this year's draft to the Raiders for receiver Amari Cooper. The Cowboys' new No. 1 target has proven to be a big boost for quarterback Dak Prescott's offense.

Bennett had just returned to the Patriots after serving a one-game suspension for what he said was a "philosophical disagreement" with defensive line coach Bret Bielema.

Bennett is familiar with Cowboys secondary coach and passing game coordinator Kris Richard. They were together for five seasons with the Seahawks.

The 33-year-old Bennett is also familiar with Texas and the Cowboys. He played high school football in the Houston area before going to Texas A&M.

His younger brother, tight end Martellus Bennett, was a second-round pick by the Cowboys in 2008 and spent his first four seasons with the team.

Michael Bennett should give the Cowboys the position flexibility they desire under defensive coordinator and line coach Rod Marinelli. The move is also a nod to the loss of Tyrone Crawford, who tried to play through a hip injury but needed surgery and is out for the season.

A three-time Pro Bowler, Bennett had his best season in 2015 with the Seahawks, when he had a career-high 10 sacks. He's had nine sacks twice, most recently last year in his only season with the Eagles, one of the Cowboys NFC East rivals.

Bennett had 2½ sacks in six games with the Patriots. He has 65½ sacks for his career.

The Cowboys next play at the Giants on Monday, Nov. 4.

Cook powers Vikings: Dalvin Cook had 171 total yards and the game's only touchdown, helping Kirk Cousins beat his old team on the first try and carrying the Vikings to a 19-9 victory over the Redskins on Thursday night in Minneapolis.

Cook, the NFL leader in yards from scrimmage, rushed 23 times for 98 yards and caught five passes for 73 yards for the Vikings (6-2) in their fourth straight victory.

Cousins went 23-for-26 for 285 yards without a turnover against the Redskins (1-7), who drafted him in 2012 and made him the full-time starter in 2015.

Case Keenum, the quarterback Cousins replaced, had his return to Minnesota spoiled by a concussion that kept him out of the second half. Keenum also lost a fumble on a first-quarter sack. Rookie Dwayne Haskins threw an interception deep in Vikings territory when the Redskins trailed by only seven points.

Another former Vikings standout, Adrian Peterson, had 14 carries for 76 yards and in the process moved up to sixth place on the NFL's career rushing list.

Jags' Dareus out 4-6 weeks: Jaguars defensive tackle Marcell Dareus underwent core muscle surgery Thursday and will miss four to six weeks.

Jaguars coach Doug Marrone said Wednesday that Dareus was in Philadelphia to receive treatment from sports hernia specialist Dr. William Meyers. Dareus was injured during the Jaguars' victory over the Bengals last weekend.

Dareus has 13 tackles (one for loss) and a half sack in six games this season. He missed the season opener with an elbow injury.

Dareus isn't the first Jaguars player to be treated by Meyers. Receiver Allen Hurns, tight end Austin Seferian-Jenkins, running back Toby Gerhart and receiver Dede Westbrook also had the surgery. Westbrook missed nine games his rookie season after his surgery.



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The Bears need to figure out the reason for the dip in production of inside linebacker Roquan Smith, left.

BEARS TAKEAWAYS

No explanation from Pagano on Smith

BY RICH CAMPBELL

Here are five takeaways from the three Bears coordinators' media sessions Thursday as the team continued preparing for Sunday's game against the Chargers at Soldier Field.

1. Chuck Pagano has no interest in detailing Roquan Smith's recent dip in production.

A day after coach Matt Nagy and inside linebacker Danny Trevathan acknowledged Smith hasn't matched his playmaking standard in two games since a personal issue sidelined him Sept. 29 against the Vikings, Pagano was intentionally vague in response to questions about Smith.

When asked for his assessment of Smith's recent play, Pagano insisted the whole defensive operation needs to be better. When pressed for specifics about Smith and the absence of splash plays, he offered none.

"Roquan is going to be fine," Pagano said. "Everybody is worried about 58 (Smith). I've got to worry about me; 59 (Trevathan) has got to worry about 59. We've got to get the whole thing squared away and get everybody on the same page."

A reporter then explained to Pagano the obvious: that people are worried about Smith because the 2018 first-round pick's dip in performance has coincided with his personal issue.

"This is a tough game," Pagano said. "Everybody has ups and downs. There's ebbs and flows. You play well, and sometimes you have a rough game. That's just the National Football League. That's going to happen."

Smith declined an interview request for the second straight day. He has not spoken to reporters since Oct. 2.

2. Chuck Pagano is determined to improve the efficiency of the play-calling operation.

How much better were the Saints than the Bears on Sunday? They even beat them with well-timed substitutions.

The Saints would send their offensive personnel onto the field with about 17 seconds on the play clock, knowing Pagano's headset to Trevathan would cut out at 15 seconds. Occasionally it created chaos for the Bears, starting with Pagano countering the Saints personnel and calling a defense.

By the time Pagano made his call and got it relayed to the players, too often they didn't have enough time to get organized and adjusted before the snap.

"You have to be able to use signals — whatever you have to do to get the call in," Pagano said. "So that's on me."

Pagano is calling plays this season for the first time since before he became head coach of the Colts in 2012.

3. Mark Helfrich refrains from calling Matt Nagy an idiot for not running the ball.

"Not in those terms," Helfrich said with a laugh.

Nagy said Monday, "I'm not an idiot," in acknowledging the Bears need to run the ball more than their franchise-low seven attempts against the Saints.

Helfrich is part of the game-planning process during the week and communicates with Nagy during games. He indicated Thursday he doesn't nudge Nagy toward the run if the ratio starts getting lopsided.

In accounting for recent imbalanced ratios, he cited game-specific situations.

Overall, it's clear Nagy and Helfrich are capable of talking themselves into calling whatever play they fancy — run or pass. Play selection, then, will have to be judged by the results.

4. Mitch Trubisky's tendency to predetermine what he's going to do with the ball is a function of insecurity.

Helfrich equated it to Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen on the basketball court.

"It's the guy you count on or the rhythm, play, concept or whatever you're most comfortable with," Helfrich said. "But that's what can get you hurt. That fine line between anticipation and predetermination, and every quarterback in the history of football ... that's a thing."

Trubisky admittedly has struggled with predetermination instead of anticipation. In other words, deciding where he's going to throw the ball instead of reading the defense and anticipating how that dictates whom he should target.

How does Trubisky get himself to consistently play on the productive side of that fine line?

"Going back to the fundamentals — the feet, the eyes, the decision-making," Helfrich said. "Why is this (receiver) No. 1 and not that guy? Just being in the right place with your feet and your eyes."

5. Chris Tabor diagnosed a communication breakdown on a Saints blocked punt.

"I'll put that on myself," the special teams coordinator said. "I own it. We've got to fix that and get that corrected. They came back with that another time and we had shored it up there, so that was better."

Tabor's unit did respond with a 102-yard kickoff return for a touchdown in the first half. He praised returner Cordarrelle Patterson's strength coming through the hole and tight end J.P. Holtz's block that helped spring him.

"He's a physical player," Tabor said of Holtz, whom the Bears claimed off waivers in September. "He's not afraid to throw his face in there."

Trubisky

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The Bears had first-and-10 from the Saints 24 and a play they liked, one that had a chance to help spark a go-ahead touchdown drive. Yet Trubisky seemed frazzled from the snap, tripped himself up mentally and ultimately allowed Saints defensive end Cameron Jordan to bury him for a drive-changing loss.

On Monday, Nagy highlighted that negative play as one of the most costly in the Bears defeat, a setback that pushed the offense into second-and-18 and then third-and-14.

"Now," Nagy said, "we have an incomplete pass and we've got to grind to make three points."

That's been the story for the offense most of this season: avoidable errors that have made things exponentially more difficult. Even an incomplete pass on that RPO would

have kept the Bears in second-and-10. Alas ...

Errors like that have become too common for the Bears offense and have led to valid questions about whether Trubisky's confidence is decimated right now.

One Twitter thread circulated with sarcastic ridicule for the Bears starting quarterback. Fox and NFL Network analyst Brian Baldinger, meanwhile, offered a film breakdown of the sequence that criticized the play design for leaving Jordan unblocked. (In fairness to the Bears, that's part of the concept in that situation.)

Trubisky was given his chance Wednesday to explain the miscue. He was first asked directly how the play would unfold differently if he were afforded a do-over on that sequence.

"Just hand the ball off," he answered. "Easy. Hand the ball off."

Indeed, a give to rookie running back David Montgomery seemed set up to gain at least a couple of yards.

A few minutes later Trubisky was asked to clarify the entirety of that play, with

questions as to whether Jordan confused him with the way he appeared to be in a middle ground between crashing down and staying home. But why exactly did Trubisky's vision dart to Allen Robinson along the left sideline rather than to Anthony Miller or Taylor Gabriel, who were both open underneath.

"I was doing too much with my eyes," Trubisky said. "I never look at the running back and then try to throw a free-access route. That was just bad by me. It should have been a handoff, and if anything I would have thrown the RPO (to Miller) to the other side to where my eyes were."

Again, it was a drive-killing mistake, the kind of basic error that has been far too prevalent this season. Such miscues seem to be indications of a quarterback who is pressing and playing with shaken confidence.

The Bears are hopeful Trubisky can snap himself out of his funk and begin playing with a looseness that allows him to make quicker, sharper decisions. The next chance arrives Sunday against the Chargers.

BEARS

REAL TALK

Time to dispel comparison from team's 2014 swoon

BY DAN WIEDERER AND RICH CAMPBELL

Over the last three weeks, the Bears season has veered off course, a once exhilarating joyride crashing through the guard rail and apparently headed for the cliff's edge. Suddenly, as Matt Nagy's team prepares for its final game of October, all the once-wishful Super Bowl thoughts have been replaced with fear. With anger. With panic.

The Bears' 36-25 loss to the Saints on Sunday was just that bad. Quarterback Mitch Trubisky was a mess. The offense is officially in disarray. And a once-reliable defense has lost its edge.

The rapid unraveling has, in part, prompted a series of terrifying questions to be asked in the most concerned pockets of the fan base. Could this be 2014 all over again? Might this season's collapse become just that spectacular? A once-unthinkable premise is now a valid topic of debate.

So is there any legitimate hope for a turnaround? Do the Bears have enough in-house leadership to get back on track quickly? And what if this team's usually sturdy resolve soon gives way to dysfunction?

Tribune writers Dan Wiederer and Rich Campbell sort through it all in this edition of "Real Talk."

Dan Wiederer: While we established immediately after my hurricane-shaken flight landed in London a few weeks back that I can sometimes be shaken by extreme turbulence, I typically pride myself on my rational mindset and an ability to retain a voice of reason. That's why I feel so alarmed that I can't just instantly swat away the 2014 talk as outlandish. As you and I both know, that season was a spectacular disaster, a free fall filled with failure, melodrama and discord.

I think we agree it would be nearly impossible to match that wild script of volatility and division. Still, some of the parallels are unsettling with the Bears' struggles becoming more pronounced by the week and a still relatively unproven second-year coach fighting to settle his shaken team. Don't forget, after six games of that 2014 season, the Bears were 3-3. And in Week 7, they suffered an unthinkable home upset — that one to the Dolphins — that left the locker room majorly agitated. Before that setback, very few saw a 5-11 finish coming, much less all the strife that came with it.

My point is that a lot can happen in 10 weeks. And while I believe this team is built with far greater character and mental toughness than that 2014 group, the late October urgency can't be stressed enough. The Bears are in a real danger zone with several major flaws that don't seem to have easy fixes. And when a season with grand expectations begins to slip away, it can cause extreme in-house reactions.

Rich Campbell: You? Shaken? During the bumpy flight through which everyone else slept? I don't believe it.

I'm not sure there's a dose of Dramamine large enough to calm the angry masses this week. The anger and discouragement are understandable. For months of the offseason and preseason, they were told Mitch Trubisky and the offense were improving in their second year in Nagy's system. Coming out of the week off, they were told solutions had been identified and sharpened. And then Sunday against the Saints happened.

Nagy admitted Sunday night to being on Fracture Alert. He did so moments after addressing his team inside an emotionally charged locker room. That's a real thing.

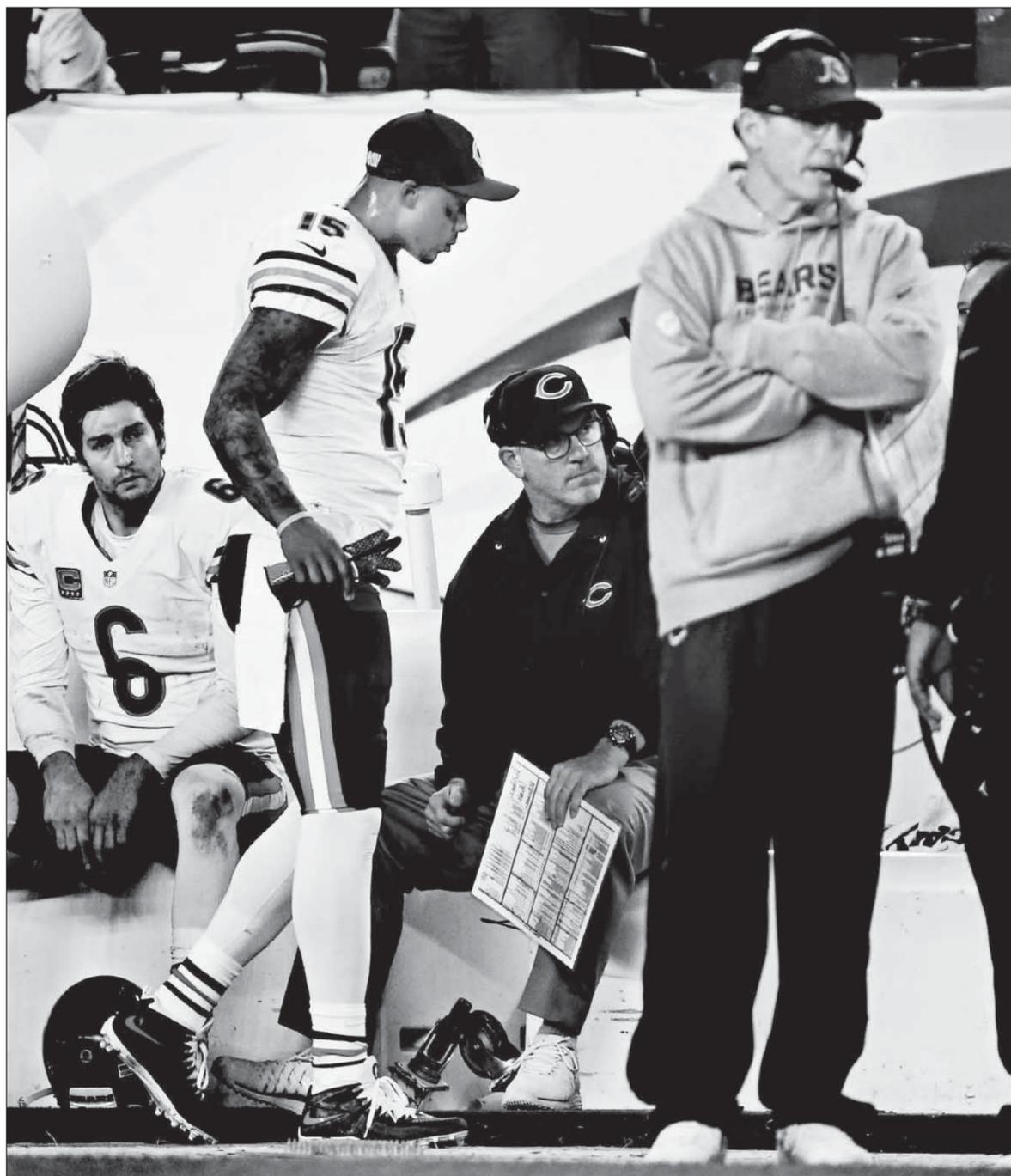
But I want to make something clear in the context of the 2014 debacle: There is no greater indictment of a Bears team than to compare it to the 2014 edition. None. That went so far below bad football on Sundays. So I want to be clear that we don't take this comparison exercise lightly.

That being said, I just don't see it with this group. I know we didn't see in October 2014 the depths to which that team would sink, but there were signs then that aren't present now. A coach being walked over by a star linebacker who prioritized his barbecue restaurant in California and a star receiver who prioritized weekly TV appearances in New York.

Wiederer: Agreed. This is precisely why you prioritize high-character guys when building a roster. And with Nagy making a public plea for locker room leaders to emerge ASAP, it's clear there's a need for a solid crisis-management team.

I think we can all agree these Bears have entered a pivotal point of their collective development, a four- or five-week stage in which we are going to learn a whole heck of a lot about their gumption, about their unity, about their composure. Last year, we saw a team that productively handled success, celebrating each mini-triumph properly but then quickly moving on to the next tasks on the to-do list.

But handling failure? Dealing with unfulfilled expectations? Trying to remain collected during times of stress? That's a different beast. And you and I have both been around long enough to understand that volatility can bubble up faster than anyone expected. It only takes a few bad apples and a few outbursts to turn a small gas leak into a massive explosion.



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Quarterback Jay Cutler (6), receiver Brandon Marshall (15) and coach Marc Trestman were part of the Bears' collapse in 2014.

Campbell: When one side of the ball is performing well and the other isn't, that can be kindling for a massive wildfire. That goes for any football team in any era. Human nature is a powerful force.

On Sunday, when David Montgomery lost a fumble on the Bears' first snap of the third quarter, sending the defense back onto the field after they just conceded a six-play, 75-yard touchdown drive, a wave of negative emotion crashed onto defensive players. There was a surge of natural frustration among a group that is being asked to carry too much of the burden.

It bodes well that the defense proceeded to knock the Saints back 5 yards in three plays and escaped without allowing a point when the Saints missed a 52-yard field-goal try. That shows resolve and a strong team spirit. The question, though, is how that will hold up if it continues to be tested.

Cornerback Kyle Fuller was on that 2014 team that got blown up at the end of that 5-11 season. He was a rookie. Since then, he has sunk to the edge of being traded and risen to All-Pro.

On Tuesday, he explained why the Bears are better equipped to handle adversity now: "Just the culture of it, just the feel," he said. "Guys know what they have to do, and we've been there before, so we know what it takes. That will be a big thing."

Wiederer: Prove it. That's all I'm saying. It's time to prove it.

Let's not forget that there was similar optimistic rhetoric being shared five years ago when a locker-room blowup featuring Brandon Marshall followed that brutal loss to the Dolphins.

"That was just raw, good emotion," Jared Allen said the following week. "I respect guys who have passion for the game. Everybody handles things differently. The bottom line is that can't linger. You have to come back and go to work. If that frustration turns into motivation, that's great."

Added Jermon Bushrod: "We're a team. This is a team game. We are not going out there as individuals. So at the end of the day, we have to have each other's backs."

What happened next? The Bears went to New England, fell behind by 31 points in the first half and lost to the Patriots. The next game they fell behind 42-0 at halftime against the Packers at Lambeau Field. At that point, the mutiny was on.

Let's also not forget that the 2014 team followed that franchise-wrecking embarrassment in Green Bay with consecutive wins over the Vikings and Buccaneers, victories that meant absolutely nothing in the big picture. That's just some context to file away for whatever happens Sunday against the Chargers. (I'm already predicting a Bears win.)

But I want to make something clear in the context of the 2014 debacle: There is no greater indictment of a Bears team than to compare it to the 2014 edition. None. That being said, I just don't see it with this group.

Campbell: While we're digging in the "Bears 2014" folder, can I throw one in? How about this from Marc Trestman on the day after the loss to the Dolphins: "I think our team is very much together. ... We've got a bunch of guys that I think are really close and like each other."

As is well-documented, that ended up not being the case two months later. They didn't have leaders or strong bonds to pull themselves out of the downward spiral.

Trestman addressed team cohesiveness to reporters that day because media overheard Marshall's outburst while the home locker room door at Soldier Field was still open to allow players in. To our knowledge, there hasn't been a similar flashpoint in 2019. That's why I think it's fine for us to acknowledge 2014 and learn from how that situation swiftly and unexpectedly deteriorated, but at the same time acknowledge the 2019 team appears to compare favorably *at this point*.

Ryan Pace prioritized character in rebuilding the roster from that shattered team he inherited, and he did so at the expense of football talent in some areas. Now, as you said, it appears we're going to get a clearer sense of what Pace's priority means in the face of adversity.

Several Bears players said Tuesday that a players-only meeting is in the works. Plenty of those have been held throughout NFL history without meaningfully changing the course of a team's season. How will it affect these Bears? We'll have to wait and see. But we're only six games in, and we already see the heavy effects of expectations. Are these Bears equipped to handle them?

I appreciated this bit of insight Tuesday from cornerback Prince Amukamara regarding a potential internal rift: "If it would have been offense versus defense, I think that would have happened a long time ago."

Wiederer: To your point, behind-the-scenes meetings can certainly have legitimate value. In times of great adversity, strong communication is a must. But I have also never seen a players-only powwow fix erratic quarterback play. Or a broken-down running game. Or an offense that, by the admission of its most important figures, has no rhythm, no flow and no identity. So what happens if the Bears' most troubling 2019 problems persist without practical 2019 solutions?

You and I talked in the first two weeks of the season about the offensive struggles having a potential burnout effect on the defensive players. I think it goes without saying that that emotional fatigue was more than obvious in the second half Sunday against the Saints. So how will this defense recharge? And what can the offense do to not only take accountability for its ineptitude but to change it?

You and I also talked this summer about now knowing how this group would handle grand expectations, a much more intense spotlight and the inevitable adversity that they were able to dodge for most of 2018. That's never easy to forecast. Now in the last month, after stringing together a pair of 2018-like victories over the Redskins and Vikings, the Bears have had to deal with Roquan Smith's off-the-field issues; Kyle Long's separation from the team; Akiem Hicks' gruesome elbow injury; a frustrating trip to London; and, now, a two-game losing streak punctuated by one of the ugliest performances of Trubisky's career.

Even Nagy seems to admit this team has reached an emotional crossroads, a young head coach curious to see what his team is made of. He *thinks* he knows and made an emphatic proclamation Monday to those in the media, in the stands and in the darkest pockets of social media. With a downpour of criticism underway, the Bears have their umbrellas and galoshes ready.

"You'll never pull our team down," Nagy said. "It doesn't matter what we're going through. It'll never happen. Not under my watch. That's just not how we roll."

Campbell: The first steps toward staying afloat involve returning to practice Wednesday with an earnest enthusiasm to unlock solutions to the football problems and then flexing those answers Sunday on a 2-5 Chargers team that limps into Soldier Field.

"Just imagine if we win Sunday," Taylor Gabriel said. "The narrative will be different. As long as we go out this week and grind and keep our blinders on like Nagy said, I feel like we'll be OK."

No disagreement here. Winning cures everything. Then again, just imagine if they lose.

SCOREBOARD

NFL										
AFC										
EAST										
W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA	HOME	AWAY	AFC	NFC	DIV
New England	7	0	1.000	223	48	3-0-0	4-0-0	5-0-0	2-0-0	4-0-0
Buffalo	5	1	0.833	121	91	2-0-0	3-0-0	4-1-0	1-0-0	2-1-0
N.Y. Jets	1	5	0.167	63	156	1-3-0	0-2-0	0-4-0	1-1-0	0-3-0
Miami	0	6	0.000	63	211	0-4-0	0-2-0	0-4-0	0-2-0	0-2-0
SOUTH										
W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA	HOME	AWAY	AFC	NFC	DIV
Indianapolis	4	2	0.667	143	138	2-1-0	2-1-0	3-2-0	1-0-0	2-0-0
Houston	4	3	0.571	185	164	2-1-0	2-2-0	3-1-0	1-2-0	1-1-0
Jacksonville	3	4	0.429	144	148	1-2-0	2-2-0	3-2-0	0-2-0	1-1-0
Tennessee	3	4	0.429	121	112	1-2-0	2-2-0	2-4-0	1-0-0	0-2-0
NORTH										
W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA	HOME	AWAY	AFC	NFC	DIV
Baltimore	5	2	0.714	214	156	2-1-0	3-1-0	3-2-0	2-0-0	2-1-0
Cleveland	2	4	0.333	120	154	0-3-0	2-1-0	2-1-0	0-3-0	1-0-0
Pittsburgh	2	4	0.333	123	131	1-2-0	1-2-0	2-2-0	0-2-0	1-1-0
Cincinnati	0	7	0.000	114	186	0-3-0	0-4-0	0-4-0	0-3-0	0-2-0
WEST										
W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA	HOME	AWAY	AFC	NFC	DIV
Kansas City	5	2	0.714	202	150	1-2-0	4-0-0	4-2-0	1-0-0	2-0-0
Oakland	3	3	0.500	127	165	2-1-0	1-2-0	2-1-0	1-2-0	1-1-0
Denver	2	5	0.286	112	136	1-3-0	1-2-0	2-3-0	0-2-0	1-2-0
L.A. Chargers	2	5	0.286	140	141	1-3-0	1-2-0	2-4-0	0-1-0	0-1-0
NFC										
W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA	HOME	AWAY	AFC	NFC	DIV
Dallas	4	3	0.571	190	124	3-1-0	1-2-0	3-2-0	1-1-0	3-0-0
Philadelphia	3	4	0.429	171	186	2-1-0	1-3-0	2-4-0	1-0-0	1-1-0
N.Y. Giants	2	5	0.286	132	187	1-3-0	1-2-0	2-3-0	0-2-0	1-1-0
Washington	1	7	0.125	99	195	0-4-0	1-3-0	0-6-0	1-1-0	0-3-0
SOUTH										
W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA	HOME	AWAY	NFC	AFC	DIV
New Orleans	6	1	0.857	164	147	3-0-0	3-1-0	4-1-0	2-0-0	1-0-0
Carolina	4	2	0.667	166	133	1-2-0	3-0-0	2-2-0	2-0-0	1-1-0
Tampa Bay	2	4	0.333	173	185	0-3-0	2-1-0	2-4-0	0-0-0	1-2-0
Atlanta	1	6	0.143	145	223	1-2-0	0-4-0	1-3-0	0-3-0	0-0-0
NORTH										
W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA	HOME	AWAY	NFC	AFC	DIV
Green Bay	6	1	0.857	184	139	4-1-0	2-0-0	4-1-0	2-0-0	3-0-0
Minnesota	6	2	0.750	211	132	4-0-0	2-2-0	5-2-0	1-0-0	1-2-0
Chicago	3	3	0.500	112	105	1-2-0	2-1-0	2-2-0	1-1-0	1-1-0
Detroit	2	3	0.417	149	160	1-2-0	1-1-0	1-2-0	1-1-0	0-2-0
WEST										
W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA	HOME	AWAY	NFC	AFC	DIV
San Francisco	6	0	1.000	156	64	2-0-0	4-0-0	3-0-0	3-0-0	1-0-0
Seattle	5	2	0.714	181	176	2-2-0	3-0-0	2-1-0	1-1-0	2-0-0
L.A. Rams	4	3	0.571	190	164	1-2-0	3-1-0	3-3-0	1-0-0	0-2-0
Arizona	3	3	0.500	161	192	1-2-1	2-1-0	2-2-1	1-1-0	0-1-0

WEEK 8 THURSDAY'S RESULT

Minnesota 19, Washington 9

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Arizona at New Orleans, noon
Tampa Bay at Tennessee, noon
N.Y. Giants at Detroit, noon
Cincinnati vs L.A. Rams in London, noon
Denver at Indianapolis, noon
Philadelphia at Buffalo, noon
N.Y. Jets at Jacksonville, noon
Seattle at Atlanta, noon
L.A. Chargers at Chicago, noon
Carolina at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m.
Oakland at Houston, 3:25 p.m.
Cleveland at New England, 3:25 p.m.
Green Bay at Kansas City, 7:20 p.m.

MONDAY'S GAME

Miami at Pittsburgh, 7:15 p.m.
Off: Dallas, Baltimore

SOCCER

MLS CUP PLAYOFFS

Eastern Conference semifinals

THURSDAY'S RESULT
Atlanta 2, Philadelphia 0

Western Conference semifinals

THURSDAY'S RESULT
Los Angeles FC 5, LA Galaxy 3

NWSL PLAYOFFS

Championship in Cary, N.C.

SUNDAY'S MATCH
Chicago vs. North Carolina, 2:30 p.m.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

#16 SMU 34, Houston 31
Jackson State 38, Prairie View 35 (2OT)

FRIDAY'S GAMES
Columbia at Dartmouth, 5 p.m.
USC at Colorado, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

AP Top 25

Arkansas at #1 Alabama, 6 p.m.
#9 Auburn at #2 LSU, 2:30 p.m.

#13 Wisconsin at #3 Ohio St., 11 a.m.
Boston Coll. at #4 Clemson, 6:30 p.m.

#5 Oklahoma at Kansas State, 11 a.m.
#6 Penn St. at Michigan State, 2:30 p.m.

#8 Notre Dame at #19 Mich., 6:30 p.m.
Wash St. at #11 Oregon, 9:30 p.m.

California at #12 Utah, 9 p.m.
#15 Texas at TCU, 2:30 p.m.

Maryland at #17 Minnesota, 2:30 p.m.
#20 Iowa at Northwestern, 11 a.m.

#21 Appalachian St. at S. Ala., 11 a.m.
Okla. St. at #23 Iowa State, 2:30 p.m.

#24 Arizona State at UCLA, 6:30 p.m.

East

San Jose St. at Army, 11 a.m.
LIU at CCSU, 11 a.m.

Miami at Pittsburgh, 11 a.m.
Bryant at Robert Morris, 11 a.m.

Liberty at Rutgers, 11 a.m.
Sacred Heart at St. Fran. (Pa.), 11 a.m.

Georgetown at Lehigh, 11:30 a.m.
Richmond at Delaware, noon

Wagner at Duquesne, noon
Colgate at Holy Cross, noon

William & Mary at Maine, noon
Presbyterian at Merrimack, noon

Harvard at Princeton, noon
Elon at Rhode Island, noon

Penn at Yale, noon
Brown at Cornell, 12:30 p.m.

Florida A&M at Morgan St., 2 p.m.
Cent. Michigan at Buffalo, 2:30 p.m.

Bucknell at Lafayette, 2:30 p.m.
Tulane at Navy, 2:30 p.m.

UConn at UMass, 2:30 p.m.
Stony Brook at Villanova, 2:30 p.m.

UCF at Temple, 6 p.m.

South

Marist at Davidson, noon
Howard at NC A&T, noon

ETSU at Samford, noon
Campbell at Gard-Webb, 12:30 p.m.

Chattanooga at Wofford, 12:30 p.m.
Va. Lynchburg at Hampton, 1 p.m.

Delaware St. at NC Central, 1 p.m.
Mercer at The Citadel, 1 p.m.

W. Kentucky at Marshall, 1:30 p.m.
Austin Peay at Tenn. Tech, 1:30 p.m.

Southern at Alcorn St., 2 p.m.
New Mexico St. at Ga. Southern, 2 p.m.

N. Alabama at Kennesaw St., 2 p.m.
Texas Southern at MVSU, 2 p.m.

Alabama A&M vs. Alabama St.
in Birmingham, Ala., 2:30 p.m.

N. Texas at Charlotte, 2:30 p.m.
Syracuse at Florida St., 2:30 p.m.

Towson at James Madison, 2:30 p.m.
FIU at Louisville, 2:30 p.m.

FIU at Middle Tenn., 2:30 p.m.
FAU at Old Dominion, 2:30 p.m.

Furman at W. Carolina, 2:30 p.m.
S. Florida at E. Carolina, 2:45 p.m.

SC St. at Bethune-Cookman, 3 p.m.
Murray St. at Jacksonville St., 3 p.m.

Ablene Christian at Nicholls, 3 p.m.
Duke at N. Carolina, 3 p.m.

S. Carolina at Tennessee, 3 p.m.
Monmouth (NJ) at Chas. So., 5 p.m.

Troy at Georgia St., 6 p.m.
Missouri at Kentucky, 6:30 p.m.

Midwest

San Diego at Dayton, 11 a.m.
Illinois at Purdue, 11 a.m.

Bowling Green at W. Mich., 11 a.m.
Jacksonville at Butler, noon

Montana St. at N. Dakota, noon
Stetson at Valparaiso, noon

Ohio at Ball State, 1 p.m.
Morehead St. at Drake, 1 p.m.

UT Martin at SE Missouri, 1 p.m.
W. Illinois at Youngstown St., 1 p.m.

E. Kentucky at E. Illinois, 2 p.m.
Indiana St. at Illinois St., 2 p.m.

N. Iowa at Missouri St., 2 p.m.
N. Dakota St. at S. Dakota St., 2 p.m.

Miami (Ohio) at Kent St., 2:30 p.m.
Akron at N. Illinois, 2:30 p.m.

Indiana at Nebraska, 2:30 p.m.
E. Michigan at Toledo, 2:30 p.m.

S. Illinois at S. Dakota, 4 p.m.
Sas Tech at Kansas, 6 p.m.

Southwest

Miss. St. at Texas A&M, 11 a.m.
S. Miss. at Rice, noon

Grambling St. at Ark.-Pine Bluff, 2 p.m.
SE Louisiana at Houston Baptist, 1 p.m.

Sam Houston St. at C. Arkansas, 6 p.m.
Memphis at Tulsa, 6 p.m.

La. Tech at UTEP, 7 p.m.

West

Nebraska at Wyoming, 1 p.m.
E. Washington at Montana, 1:05 p.m.

Arizona at Stanford, 2:30 p.m.
Hawaii at New Mexico, 3 p.m.

Weber St. at UC Davis, 6 p.m.
Colorado St. at Fresno St., 6:30 p.m.

Arizona St. at UCLA, 6:30 p.m.
Utah St. at Air Force, 9:15 p.m.

San Diego St. at UNLV, 9:30 p.m.

VIKINGS 19, REDSKINS 9

Washington 0 6 3 0-9
Minnesota 3 10 3 3-19

First quarter A: 66,776.
Min: FG Bailey 50, 5:20.

Second quarter
Was: FG Hopkins 21, 14:00.
Min: FG Bailey 29, 7:26.

Was: FG Hopkins 30, 1:57.
Min: Cook 4 run (Bailey kick), :07.

Third quarter
Min: FG Bailey 27, 8:33.
Was: FG Hopkins 43, 5:11.

Fourth quarter
Min: FG Bailey 40, 10:36.

TEAM STATS WAS MIN

First downs 14 22
Total net yards 216 434

Rushing-yards 16-85 38-161
Passing 131 273

Kickoff returns 2-54 0-9
Int. returns 0-0 1-5

Comp-at-Int 15-21-1 23-26-0
Sacked-yds lost 4-32 3-12

Punts 2-53.5 0-0.0
Fumbles-lost 2-1 1-1

Penalties-yards 4-46 7-74
Possession time 23:24 36:36

Rushing: Was, Peterson 14-76, Small-wood 2-9. Min, Cook 23-98, Mattison 13-61, Cousins 2-2.

Passing: Was, Keenum 12-16-130, Haskins 3-5-1-33. Min, Cousins 23-26-0-285.

Receiving: Was, McLaurin 4-39, Richardson 3-34, Peterson 2-27, Sprinkle 2-12, Quinn 1-5, Hentges 1-13, Harmon 1-12, Smallwood 1-11. Min, Diggs 7-143, Cook 5-73, LSmith 3-21, Rudolph 3-17, O'Johnson 2-27, Mattison 2-3, Treadwell 1-1.

GOLF

PORTUGAL MASTERS

1st of 4 rds; Dom Pedro Victoria GC; Vilamoura, Portugal; 7,191 yds; Par 71

Louis De Jager, South Africa 63
Justin Walters, South Africa 65

Oliver Fisher, England 65
Jake McLeod, Australia 66

Brandon Stone, South Africa 66
Matthew Southgate, England 66

Renato Paratore, Italy 66
Jeunghun Wang, South Korea 66

Darren Fichardt, South Africa 66
David Horsey, England 66

Sihwan Kim, United States 66

Also

John Catlin, United States 68
Lee Westwood, England 68

Padraig Harrington, Ireland 73

PGA ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP

1st of 4 rds; Accordia Golf Narashino CC; Chiba, Japan; 7,041 yds; Par 70

64 (-6)

Tiger Woods 29-35
Gary Woodland 30-34

Hideki Matsuyama 31-34

67 (-3)
Daniel Berger 31-36

Sung Kang 31-36
Ryan Palmer 33-34

68 (-2)
Andrew Putnam 34-34

Ryo Ishikawa 33-35
C.T. Pan 31-37

Billy Horschel 33-35
Jojo Niemann 33-35

Xander Schauffele 31-37
Rikuya Hoshino 32-36

69 (-1)
Paul Casey 34-35

Matthew Wolff 33-36
Corey Connors 32-37

Bubba Watson 34-35
Satoshi Kodaira 32-37

Emiliano Grillo 34-35
Keegan Bradley 35-34

Keith Mitchell 32-37
Kevin Tway 34-35

Louis Oosthuizen 33-36
Adam Schenk 36-33

70 (E)
Tomoharu Otsuki 33-37

Charles Howell III 34-36
Sergio Garcia 35-35

Danny Lee 33-37
Vaughn Taylor 33-37

Byeong Hun An 35-35
Justin Thomas 33-37

J.T. Poston 33-37

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Adam Hadwin 36



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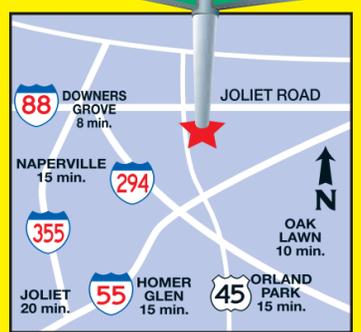
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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

GAMES TO WATCH

BY MATT MURSCHER | Orlando Sentinel



No. 13 Wisconsin (6-1, 3-1 Big Ten) at No. 3 Ohio State (7-0, 4-0)
11 a.m. Saturday, FOX-32

The Badgers may have seen their College Football Playoff hopes fade with a crushing loss to Illinois, but the Big Ten Championship Game is still within reach. Ohio State remains the league's best hope for a playoff berth. It's a battle of the top two defenses in the country, with five of the previous six meetings in the series decided by seven or fewer points.



No. 9 Auburn (6-1, 3-1 SEC) at No. 2 LSU (7-0, 3-0)
2:30 p.m. Saturday, CBS-2

It's been a breakthrough season for the LSU offense, which has been scoring points in bunches, averaging more than 50 points and 500 yards per game. Quarterback Joe Burrow is on a trajectory that could send him to New York for the Heisman Trophy ceremony. But first, Burrow and the Tigers must get past a pesky Auburn team that can still contend for an SEC West title despite a loss to Florida.



No. 6 Penn State (7-0, 4-0 Big Ten) at Michigan State (4-3, 2-2)
2:30 p.m. Saturday, ABC-7

Penn State is looking to go 8-0 for the first time since 2008 and 5-0 in the Big Ten for the first time since 2011. Michigan State is playing its third consecutive top-10 opponent. The Spartans lost the previous two to Ohio State and Wisconsin, getting outscored 72-10. The Nittany Lions have the fourth-best defense in the Big Ten, allowing five touchdowns in conference play.



No. 8 Notre Dame (5-1) at No. 19 Michigan (5-2)
6:30 p.m. Saturday, ABC-7

Michigan returns home after a disappointing loss to Penn State. The Wolverines have fallen behind in the Big Ten title race, but Jim Harbaugh's team is looking to avoid a second-half collapse that could leave the Wolverines unranked for the first time since 2017. Notre Dame still has an outside shot at the College Football Playoff, but the Fighting Irish need to win out and hope for chaos elsewhere.



Washington State (4-3, 1-3 Pac-12) at No. 11 Oregon (6-1, 4-0)
9:30 p.m. Saturday, ESPN

Oregon is coming off a huge road win over Washington, but the Ducks must shift their focus as they push to snap a four-game skid against Washington State. The Cougars are out of the Pac-12 race and are looking to avoid losing a fourth conference game for the first time since 2014. An Oregon loss would be a big blow to the Pac-12's hope of sending a team to the College Football Playoff.



Auburn eyes end to long skid at LSU

BY JOHN ZENOR
Associated Press

AUBURN, Ala. — The Auburn Tigers are headed back to a place of more than a few bad memories over the last two decades: LSU's Tiger Stadium.

No. 9 Auburn hasn't won there since 1999, losing nine straight with an assortment of blown leads, missed opportunities and blowouts. Gus Malzahn's team is an underdog again Saturday in Baton Rouge against quarterback Joe Burrow and second-ranked LSU.

Ending the string of futility will be especially hard given the way LSU has been playing, but Auburn defensive end Marlon Davidson gets excited when asked what a victory would mean.

"Whew, that's history," Davidson said. "It would be like, 'Dang, that 2019 team stopped our streak.' But hey, it's got to come to an end one day. Why not Saturday?"

Easier said than done, especially this season.

LSU started the streak in 2001 with a 27-14 win that clinched the first trip to the SEC championship game for Nick Saban's team.

The home team has won 16 of the last 19 meetings, and Auburn has definitely suffered from the Baton Rouge Blues.

LSU wide receiver Ja'Marr Chase, along with many players from both teams, wasn't born the last time Auburn won at LSU.

"That's hard to imagine," Chase said. "Nobody's talked about how much we've beaten them here, but that means our mindset is to be ready to keep it going. I'm not sure if it's a tradition, but it says something about the confidence in our team when we play in Tiger Stadium."

"I hope it intimidates them a little bit, but every team we play comes at us like it's a rivalry game."

LSU coach Ed Orgeron doesn't think the streak "means a hill of beans come Saturday."

Auburn coach Gus Malzahn said he doesn't have to remind his team of the losing streak in Baton Rouge.

"I don't have to bring it up because everyone else brings it up," Malzahn said. "You know and our guys know."

Auburn's last win in Baton Rouge came in 1999 and players and coaches celebrated the 41-7 victory by smoking cigars on the field. They haven't had a chance to break them out since then.

A look at some of those meetings since then in reverse chronological order:

■ In 2017, No. 10 Auburn surged to a 20-point lead then went into an offensive funk. The result was a 27-23 upset, a big win for LSU and Orgeron that left Auburn fans irate.

Malzahn said he takes "a whole lot" of the blame for that loss.

■ In 2015, Leonard Fournette was a one-man wrecking crew for LSU, making Auburn defenders look helpless at times in a 45-21 win. Fournette racked up 228 yards and three touchdowns on 19 carries.

■ In 2013, Auburn's 35-21 loss to LSU sparked a huge turnaround. Malzahn's first Auburn team went on to win the SEC title and play for a national championship.

■ In 2005, LSU cemented a spot in the SEC championship game with a 20-17 overtime win. John Vaughn missed five field goals, including the final attempt that bounced off the left upright in OT.

Badgers' big moment

After loss, No. 13 team needs almost all to go right vs. No. 3 OSU

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN
Chicago Tribune

Wisconsin-Ohio State is the Big Ten's version of Deflategate.

The Badgers' stunning loss to Illinois took some air out of a massively intriguing game. Instead of going to Columbus, Ohio, ESPN's "College GameDay" is venturing to South Dakota State. No joke.

Still, this matchup pits two teams that cannot afford to lose and still make the College Football Playoff. The Buckeyes would need major help, even as 12-1 Big Ten champions, because of their non-conference slate of Florida Atlantic, Cincinnati and Miami (Ohio).

But that's looking too far ahead. Here are five things Wisconsin must do Saturday to spring an upset as a 14-point underdog.

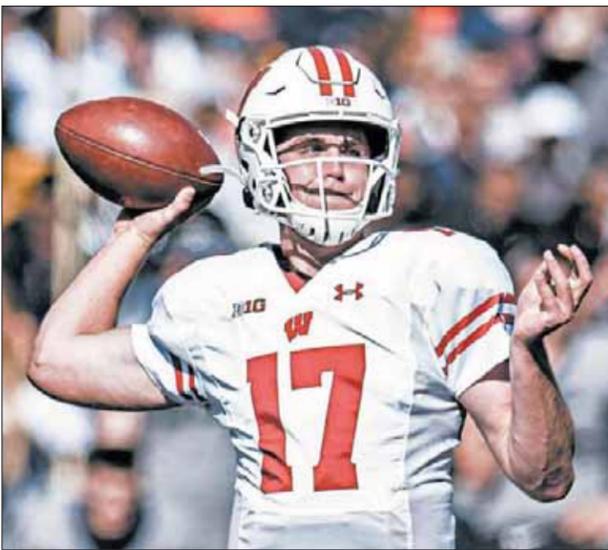
1. Jack Coan must have the game of his life.

The Wisconsin quarterback is completing 76% of his passes, second among FBS quarterbacks to LSU's Joe Burrow (79.4%). Coan has thrown only two interceptions in 167 attempts, and he rushed for two scores against Michigan.

But Coan averages a modest 197.6 passing yards per game, and the Buckeyes are lethal on the back end. Three of Ohio State's last four opponents could not crack 60 passing yards. Unreal.

"(Coan) has not faced a secondary like this one," said former Buckeyes coach Urban Meyer, who will be on site for Fox Sports' "Big Noon Kickoff" preview show. "They have two first-round corners. One (Jeff Okudah) may be top 10."

Told that one Big Ten coach believes Ohio State has five defensive backs who will get drafted, Meyer replied: "Their whole defense is a draft pick."



Ohio State pass rusher Chase Young, above, will have his sights set on Wisconsin QB Jack Coan.

CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE (YOUNG), HOLLY HART/AP (COAN)

2. Don't let Chase Young dominate.

The Ohio State defensive end sacked Aidan Smith on Northwestern's second play from scrimmage last week, beating right tackle Gunnar Vogel on an inside move. Of course that raised the question: Given that Young is Pro Football Focus' highest-graded college player at any position, why would Northwestern allow for that one-on-one domination?

The Wildcats rolled away from Young the rest of the night. That allowed Smith to avoid another sack but limited his ability to throw downfield.

The problem with double-teaming Young is the Buckeyes use as many as 13 defensive linemen, and all are talented.

"It's not like (former Houston defensive tackle) Ed Oliver where you could triple-team him because everyone else is mediocre," Fox Sports' Bruce Feldman said. "Young is a problem, and the defense feeds off his energy. He's like Reggie Jackson — the straw that stirs the drink."

3. Force Justin Fields into a turnover.

Wisconsin has forced 15 turnovers, tied for ninth in the FBS. Fields has thrown only one pick in 164 attempts.

Feldman wrote in The Athletic that Fields "has the running ability of J.T. Barrett in a much bigger body, and the arm talent of Dwayne Haskins."

Meyer, who coached Haskins last season, said of Fields: "That guy is as hard to defend as anyone in America. You never see him get sacked, even when he should be sacked. He is so strong. ... There were a couple of plays last week or the week before where it's all covered and he runs for 30 yards. That's a heartbreaker."

Haskins threw for a national-best 4,831 yards last season, but Fields is more dangerous.

"When you face a drop-back quarterback, there's a little more comfort because you don't have to defend all the zone-read plays," Meyer said. "That limited us at times last year, especially in the red zone."

4. Get at least 5 yards a carry from Jonathan Taylor.

Both coaching staffs are studying Northwestern tape — for different reasons.

The Wildcats actually ran it decently on Ohio State last week. Removing negative yardage from a botched snap and the sack by Young, Northwestern gained 175 yards on 45 rushes, 3.9 yards per carry. That was partially due to Ohio State being without top linebacker Baron Browning, who has an undisclosed injury and might not be available Saturday.

Taylor is averaging 6.1 yards per carry and 136.7 per game. In the Wisconsin running back's three career games against Northwestern, those numbers shrink to 4.4 per carry and 81.7 per game.

So the Wildcats have provided the blueprint.

"Stopping the run," Meyer said, "is about winning the line of scrimmage and finding ways to get an extra hat in there without being so obvious."

5. Channel the frustration over losing last week.

It was a weird loss in that the Badgers outgained Illinois 420-315, converted 9 of 17 third downs and possessed the ball twice as long (40 minutes, 19 seconds). But two lost fumbles, combined with failing to score a touchdown on first-and-goal from the 3, gave the Illini the fuel they needed.

Fox Sports' Joel Klatt said on Big Ten Network that the loss "actually makes it more difficult for Ohio State because now you're going to get the absolute full max effort from the Badgers."

One Big Ten coach expects the same, saying the Badgers will be "motivated and unified."

Hey, it's a theory.

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Robert Mitchum and Jane Russell in the 1951 film noir/comedy "His Kind of Woman," which is among the typical TCM fare.

TCM comes with an additional price tag

Comcast quietly pulls station from basic cable, puts it on sports package

Earlier this month, Comcast quietly pulled Turner Classic Movies from its basic cable subscription, making the channel available only to TV viewers who pay an additional fee to subscribe to Comcast's Sports Entertainment Package.

Comcast did not respond to an inquiry from the Tribune, but on its website it does provide some background on the decision: "Viewership of TCM is low, as over 90% of our customers watch less than two movies per month. Given this, we decided to move TCM to the Sports Entertainment Package, which will help us manage programming costs that are passed on to our customers."

You can take that at face value. (TCM also declined to comment.) Or you can wonder, as TV reporter Tyler Hersko did at IndieWire, if there's something else at play: namely, the launch of competing streaming services and the trend among media companies to "take back" their content.

TCM is owned by WarnerMedia, which is gearing up to launch HBO Max, where (in theory) the TCM library will be available to subscribers. Comcast, which is the parent company of NBCUniversal, has its own competing streaming service coming, called "Peacock."

Is it possible, as Hersko speculates, that this competition in the streaming marketplace has "incentivized Comcast to gate Turner Classic Movies channel behind a more expensive television package?"

Maybe. Or maybe it's the other way around: Maybe WarnerMedia made it unattractive for Comcast to continue offering TCM for "free" on its basic package precisely as a way to



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nudge viewers to cut the cord and subscribe to HBO Max.

Either way, viewers will be paying more. It's an especially bad look for all involved when you consider that TCM recently made a significant stride with the hiring of Jacqueline Stewart. A Chicago native and professor of cinema at the University of Chicago, she is host of TCM's "Silent Sunday Nights" and the first black woman host in the network's

history.

"The fact that we're still talking about black firsts is frustrating," she told WTTW last month because it "points to long histories of exclusion. At the same time, though, I feel this is something to celebrate."

She's right. But because it suddenly became more expensive, fewer people are going to be exposed to Stewart's expertise.

Film critic Kristen Lopez, whose work appears in Forbes, Remezcla and other publications, writes specifically about older films at her website Journeys in Classic Film.

"With classic film access already being so limited, TCM kind of remains this last bastion of classic film access for anyone who wants to discover these movies," she said. "It's always very weird with TCM, which is commercial-free. Longtime fans are always worried about things like, when are they going to start adding commercials? Or every time they do '31 Days of Oscar' and start showing Oscar-nominated movies from 2010 people are like, 'Is this proof that

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'THE LIGHTHOUSE' ★★★

Pattinson, Dafoe in a mystifying, creepy tale

By MICHAEL PHILLIPS

A terrific filmmaker, especially since there aren't very many terrific filmmakers, deserves better than to be compared to his previous accomplishments.

In other words, I loved director Robert Eggers' debut feature, "The Witch," a 2015 tale of 17th-century witchcraft and goat mismanagement, while admiring without quite completely getting the hang or rhythm of Eggers' new film, "The Lighthouse."

It's nonetheless well worth seeing and sorting through.

"The Lighthouse" establishes a simple, straightforward premise and then proceeds to mess with it, and us. Somewhere in New England in the 1890s — around the time the first filmmakers were discovering a new way to disorient the public — wizened old Thomas Wake (Willem Dafoe, chewing himself a new realm of expressive and weirdly subtle hamming) takes on a short-time assistant "wickie," or lighthouse keeper, for an estimated four-week job.

The last assistant went mad — some "enchantment in the light," Wake mutters cryptically, referring to the Fresnel beauties creating wondrous, hypnotic patterns inside the top of the lighthouse. (Eggers and cinematographer Jarin Blaschke shot the movie in Nova Scotia, where the wind really blows.)

The new man (Robert Pattinson), who goes by Ephraim Winslow, harbors a dark secret. Wake too knows more than he's telling.

Flattering his taciturn second-in-command one minute, berating and humiliating him (while forcing drunken revels) the next, "The Lighthouse" perches right on the edge of a terrifying unknown while offering a compact lesson in the art of passive-aggressive mentoring.

Wake's superstitious to an elaborate degree, and when Winslow exhibits his first glaring loss of control, beating a seagull to death in a scarily well-faked scene, Wake takes it as a curse and the beginning of the end. But of what? Sanity? Sobriety?

Eggers treats much of "The Lighthouse" as pitch-black comedy; a writing student of mine called the movie the world's starkest version of "The Odd Couple."

Shooting on gorgeous, monochromatic 35-millimeter film, Eggers and Co. confine the storytelling to a boxlike 1.19:1 aspect ratio. The frame size and shape evokes early sound filmmaking aspect ratios favored particularly by Fox in those days.

At its finest, and creepiest, "The Lighthouse" courts comparison (at least in ambition) to FW. Murnau's fantasies of temptation, desire and striking imagery.

The writing, it must be said, settles for more prosaic achievements.

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IN PERFORMANCE 'Andares' ★★★

Stories of rural Mexico, without any romantic gloss

By CHRIS JONES

What do you really know about the lives of indigenous youth in rural Mexico?

Ever heard those experiences described, person to person?

If the honest answer to those questions is "not much" followed by "no," let me recommend "Andares," a show from Mexico's Makuyeika Colectivo Teatral that is visiting Navy Pier, just through the end of this weekend.

It's part of Destinos, the Chicago International Latino Theater Festival, and a reminder of just how much is to be gained by our off-myopic and parochial city from the international programming found at Chicago Shakespeare Theater.

I'd heard much said of Héctor Flores Komatsu, the conceptual director who put this piece together and is very much on the radar of veteran auteur theater-makers such as Julie Taymor and, especially, Peter Brook, one of his mentors.

Given Brook's enthusiasm for Komatsu's work, it is unsurprising that this is theater at its most elemental: three actors, albeit mostly playing themselves, and a musician with a guitar. There are a few technical clues and some light mask work. Autobiographical stories from the most remote areas of Mexico are the lifeblood of this show.

But here's the thing about "Andares":

When: Through Sunday

Where: Upstairs at Chicago Shakespeare Theater, Navy Pier

Running time: 1 hour, 20 minutes

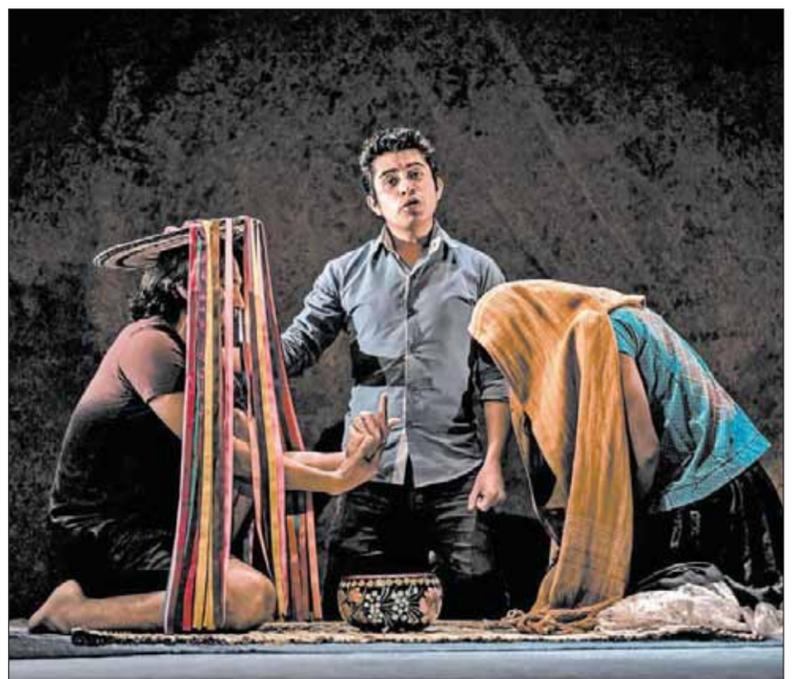
Tickets: \$35-\$45 at 312-595-5600 or www.chicagoshakes.com

Most U.S.-based work that recounts the mythic undergirding of such isolated communities not only risks appropriation (a far more complex term than most people think) but, even with the most progressive intentions, invariably puts a romantic gauze on the cultural content.

Big-city theater workers usually romanticize or even deify this culture — anything folkloric, really — far more than those living it day to day.

These visiting artists, though, approach their communities with a blend of protective affection for pre-colonial tradition and a clear-eyed sense of its ancient prejudices and limitations. They are not afraid to engage the audience in their critique, and that allows you to sit and watch their work and feel as if you are learning not just about the need for preservation but about the complexities of tradition clashing against modernity.

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Josué Maychi, from left, Lupe de la Cruz and Alexis Orozco in "Andares" by Makuyeika Colectivo Teatral at Chicago Shakespeare Theater.

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Singer-rapper T-Pain performs at the iHeartRadio Music Festival last month in Las Vegas.

T-Pain: Low ticket sales cancel his tour

T-Pain did what many musicians can find hard to do: tell the truth. The singer-rapper told his fans in an Instagram video that he would be canceling his upcoming tour because of low ticket sales.

The Tallahassee, Florida, native — he has dubbed himself the “Tallahassee hero” in his songs — told his fans that his IUP DLC tour would’ve been a “bad look” for him and that they would not have been entertained. Therefore, he said, he’s made the choice to cancel.

“I was advised to lie about this and say that I needed some time or I needed some alone time or me time,” he said, telling viewers that he was advised to not admit that his team messed up. “We (messed) up. I’m going to keep it real with y’all.”

T-Pain, whose legal name is Faheem Rasheed Najm, told fans that whenever concerts are canceled, it’s because of low ticket sales. It’s wrong, he said, to use a fake excuse.

T-Pain has had three No. 1 hits on Billboard’s Hot 100 chart and 46 songs overall to have entered the charts. His second album, released in 2007, was the sole release out of his six records to reach No. 1 on the Hot 100 chart, according to Billboard.

He had a resurgence of attention this year when he was revealed to be the masked singer on the hit Fox show “The Masked Singer.”

— *The Washington Post*



OWEN SWEENEY/INVISION

Rapper honored: Rapper Chuck D is this year’s winner of the Woody Guthrie Prize, an award that recognizes artists who speak out for the less fortunate. Chuck D was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2013 as part of the groundbreaking hip-hop group Public Enemy. Deana McCloud of the Woody Guthrie Center noted that Guthrie was “a fighter for the people.” She said Chuck’s D’s work has aligned with that message to “choose a side, fight the power, and work for a better world.” Past recipients include John Mellencamp, Norman Lear, Kris Kristofferson, Mavis Staples and Pete Seeger.

The Great Wet Way:

Tony Award-winners Alan Cumming, Norbert Leo Butz and Laura Benanti are headlining an interesting venue for a clutch of Broadway stars — a cruise ship. The trio of performers will be joined by Sierra Boggess, Jenn Colella, Norm Lewis and Taylor Louderman for the inaugural sailing of The Broadway Cruise from New York City to Bermuda from Oct. 10 to 14, 2020. Cabin prices begin at \$995 per person.

Lizzo backs Lioness:

Lizzo is sharing writing credit on her hit song “Truth Hurts” with the creator behind the song’s signature line, but not with two other writers who claim they also contributed to the track. “Truth Hurts” features the popular line, “I just took a DNA test, turns out I’m 100 percent that bitch,” which originated from a 2017 tweet by singer Mina Lioness and was turned into a popular meme. On Wednesday Lizzo wrote on social media that Lioness “is the person I am sharing my success with.”



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Wronged spouse now repaying debt

Dear Amy: For three years before my husband left me, he was (unsuccessfully) self-employed. He struggled so much with his self-worth that I was afraid to anger him, especially on financial issues. He was hiding his lack of income and unpaid bills. He drained a large inheritance, savings and retirement accounts. I was also unaware that he was racking up credit card debt buying bitcoin for online gambling and for renting and furnishing a secret apartment. (I was unaware of his affair until after the divorce.) Yes, I blame myself for this blind trust.

During this time my parents lent us over \$25,000. Some of this was for our household, but most of it was for his business and his secret life. So, without realizing it, my parents essentially paid for my ex’s gambling and his affair! My divorce lawyer insisted on not pushing my husband on repayments because he was severely depressed and she feared he “would snap.”

The loans became my responsibility in the divorce. My parents have mentioned that maybe it is my former in-laws’ responsibility to pay their son’s bills. Asking for help would require divulging information that his folks know nothing about: the loans, the gambling, the affair. Your thoughts?
— *Stupid Blind Trust*

Dear Blind Trust: I’m not a lawyer and can’t speak to your lawyer’s advice, or answer the question of why repaying this money became your responsibility in the divorce. I gather that this matter was somehow

mediated or adjudicated through the courts and agreed upon — and that repaying these loans is in fact, for whatever reason, your legal responsibility.

If your folks want to try to pressure your ex’s parents to repay this money, it’s up to them, but why should these parents be responsible for their son’s debts? I’m inferring that either they cannot afford this sort of expense or perhaps they aren’t the soft touches your folks are, otherwise, your ex might have gone to them for money in the first place.

Each person in your family system seems to have enabled your ex. Keeping his problems (mental health issues, spending, gambling, cheating, lying) a secret seems to enable him to continue in this cycle without getting help. There is an argument to be made that these issues are connected.

You should continue to comply regarding your own legal responsibilities, and let your parents do whatever they think best. It benefits you if they get this money from a different source; it might ultimately benefit your ex if his secret life is finally exposed.

Dear Amy: I’m 35, female, single, and I work in management with five men. Three of these men are married and two are gay. Two of the married men have been hitting on me. Is it ever OK for a single girl to date a married man?
— *Minority Employee*

Dear Employee: Let’s recap. You somehow got to the ripe old age of 35 and are unsure about the ethics of dating married men.

So no, it’s never OK for a single “girl” to date married men. Furthermore, if you thought of yourself more as a grown woman, you might have more of a handle on this.

Any man (married or not) who hits on you at work is flirting with a sexual harassment situation. For you, even engaging in a consensual affair with anyone at work leaves you open to unpleasantness and unintended consequences, especially if the man is married and the relationship sours.

Are you all really in management? Don’t your clients and colleagues deserve your full attention?

Dear Amy: Several months ago, you responded to a question from someone wondering how to tolerate being around someone who has harmed you. You responded that the choices are to confront, avoid, or escape. You suggested practicing each scenario in advance.

I almost let this person who hurt me prevent me from traveling to the funeral of a beloved cousin. Her mom and sister needed me there. Then I looked at your advice again and again. I practiced. It not only worked, but I took back my power.
— *Survivor*

Dear Survivor: Thank you so much. I believe in the power of practice. I often rehearse responses and reactions to challenging situations.

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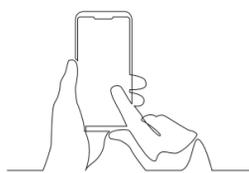
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Williem Dafoe, left, and Robert Pattinson appear in a scene from “The Lighthouse,” from Robert Eggers, director of “The Witch.”

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As the two men devolve into drink, “spilled beans” and escalating violence, the actors strain at times to activate scenes which are variations on scenes we’ve recently seen. But then, near the end ... well, those who already know they’re going to take a chance on this strange, fascinating picture deserve a relatively

MPAA rating: R (for sexual content, nudity, violence, disturbing images, and some language)

Running time: 1:49

spoiler-free experience.

That’s not to say the story operates as any sort of conventional ghost story, or thriller, or anything.

But on its own terms, thanks to two fine, committed performances and a coastline made for this tall

tale, “The Lighthouse” works its own stubborn form of black magic, pulling ideas and dynamics from silent and early sound cinema, from early Harold Pinter plays such as “The Dumb Waiter” and from the recesses of the Eggers brothers’ fertile imagination.

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The Trumpian phrase, “Make America Great Again!” for example, is part of the piece. It is now a known quantity in even the most remote parts of the world and thus also embedded into the culture there. Those are the kinds of collisions “Andares” is exploring.

The storytellers — Josué Maychi, Domingo Mijangos and Lupe de la Cruz — are all young, courageous and compelling, as is the dry-witted musician, Raymundo Pavón Lozano.

It’s a pity there aren’t women in the show, and their absence results in a missed perspective that could be addressed, especially since gender and



RAÚL KIGRA PHOTO

Josué Maychi, Lupe de la Cruz and Alexis Orozco are the only three actors in “Andares” by Makuyeika Colectivo Teatral, playing at Chicago Shakespeare Theater.

sexuality are important themes in the show.

But “Andares” is still a revealing window for anyone and, I imagine, a rare and profound Chicago experience for anyone here who grew up in rural

Mexico and misses the stories from home.

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That's a wrap for 'Rhythm + Flow' rap series

Chance the Rapper eyes a collaborator as the show ends

By GREG KOT

The 10-part hip-hop competition "Rhythm + Flow" wrapped up on Netflix this week with a whole bunch of winners. At least that's according to one of the high-profile judges, Chance the Rapper.

"I need a feature" from any of the four finalists, Chance said to his fellow rap adjudicators, Cardi B and T.I. "I'm gonna take a verse from one of them."

All of which means that if Flawless Real Talk (Providence, R.I.), D Smoke (Inglewood, Calif.), Londynn B (Atlanta) or Troyman (Atlanta) end up on a Chance track in the next year, don't be surprised.

Chance proved an earnest judge who prized artistry over gimmicks, Cardi B waxed both surreal and cutting while maintaining a girl-next-door earthiness, and T.I. brought an orator's gravitas to his pro-

nouncements, a cut-to-the-chase hip-hop reality show version of TV's Judge Mathis.

"Rhythm + Flow" was as much about back stories designed to personalize the competitors as a skills contest. This presumably promoted the audience's deeper rooting interest in the unknowns being showcased. But their tales of personal turmoil began blurring together, as did the "surprise" family reunions immediately preceding the final competition.

The artists struggled to find their voices, as they were paired with A-list producers (Sounwave, London on Da Track, Tay Keith, Hit Boy) and collaborators (Miguel, Jhene Aiko, Ty Dolla Sign, Tory Lanez), and two of the finalists slipped into well-paved lanes: Troyman as growling, prowling MC of the streets, Londynn B as would-be trap queen.

Flawless Real Talk oozed cockiness throughout the competition as he climbed the ladder to the final four, then unveiled a rare vulner-



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This image released by Netflix shows, from left, rappers T.I., Cardi B and Chance the Rapper from the competition series "Rhythm + Flow."

ability. "My career froze, I wish my clock wasn't runnin'," he rapped on the anthemic "On My Way."

But it was the 33-year-old elder statesman of the group, D Smoke, who took the most chances, as he baked his life story into metaphysical lyrics, inventively arranged songs and dark, unconventionally

theatrical performances. Working with Sounwave (who has produced Kendrick Lamar and the "Black Panther" soundtrack among other projects), Smoke turned his original composition, "The Last Supper," into a multi-part psychodrama to take home the \$250,000 winner's paycheck. "Eat Smoke, take

your time, it's a long dinner," he rapped.

Does it presage a long career? If music reality shows such as "American Idol" and "The Voice" are any indication, the future is murky at best. A teacher from a hardscrabble neighborhood who is a decade older than most rap upstarts, D Smoke may find

that his fight for recognition is only just beginning.

T.I., in his best Judge Mathis voice, didn't sugarcoat it: "You're gonna be chasin' this high right now for the rest of your career."

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they're going to start showing newer movies and it's going to become like AMC, where you're not going to be able to see anything classic?"

"So people always get concerned. And now they're putting it behind an additional paywall, for lack of a better description."

I've been thinking about how people generally think and talk about classic films because earlier this month an interview that ran in Esquire with pop culture writer Shea Serrano about his new book "Movies (And Other Things)" sparked some back and forth on the topic of these films and their value (or lack thereof).

Serrano isn't a film critic — he is best known for his writing about hip-hop and basketball — and it was specifically his comments about older films that touched a nerve on social media. He was interviewed by Esquire's politics editor Jack Holmes, who noted that Serrano's book focuses on movies from the '80s and beyond and asks: "Are you like me in that you don't see a ton of appeal in movies older than that?"

Serrano replies: "I'm with you on that. I watch old movies and I'm like, 'No thanks.' They're not fun. "It's clear that they were still trying to figure out how to do things. Some of them, of course, were undeniable, like a 'Jaws' or 'Star Wars' or 'Indiana Jones.' — you watch those and go, 'Oh, I see in this the bones of what eventually became whatever action franchise.' Or 'Alien.' [But mostly], they're just not that fun to watch."

As surreal as it is to hear Serrano list those titles as "old," there's room enough in the media landscape to like what you like and avoid the rest. It seems odd to discount all of film history pre-1980, but Serrano is



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Mary Prevost and "Little Billy" Rhodes appear in a scene from 1928's "The Sideshow."

voicing something we've all heard before: the perception that films made during the first half of the 20th century are dull.

I remember maybe 10 or 15 years ago seeing 1957's "A Face in the Crowd" for the first time — courtesy of TCM — and being blown back by how dark and cynical and disturbingly insightful it is, about a guy (Andy Griffith) who manages to exchange every ounce of integrity he might have once had for an empty life of celebrity, wealth and power.

Patricia Neal plays the radio producer who discovers this rakish con man, only to regret sending him down this path, and the fact that a woman is playing this role in 1957 feels surprising in all the right ways. Plus, any film with Walter Matthau grumbling his way through his lines is worth your time.

That serendipity of randomly catching a movie on TCM now comes with an additional price tag.

Nearly all these movies

are in black and white and I think for many, that's the ultimate turnoff. But there are other reasons.

"There's the concept of: Older movies are racist, they're misogynist and there's no way I see myself in those movies," Lopez said. "And that's a valid critique. Not all classic films are that way, but there's this heavy history of this is what Hollywood spent a lot of those decades doing."

"So if you're a person of color who wants to see yourself represented in classic cinema, it's very difficult. As a disabled woman, I don't often see myself represented in classic cinema, but I talk a lot about 'Freaks' from 1932 as this landmark that we have not seemed to improve upon on the decades since."

One of the more consistent resources for classic film screenings locally is the Chicago Film Society, which has wonderfully eclectic taste and a real talent for unearthing obscurities. This week it screens the 1928 silent "The Sideshow" and, as per usual, the blurb they've written includes just enough context to get you interested: The

movie follows a trapeze artist who takes up with a traveling sideshow troupe and its circle of outcasts. Starring "Little Billy" Rhodes, who, as a little person in Hollywood, was frequently relegated to comic relief but here he plays a role with real depth. (Dennis Scott will accompany the film on the Music Box organ.)

"Unfortunately I think for a lot of people when they hear 'classic film,' it just means old, especially in a way that means they're not interested," said Rebecca Lyon, who is a programmer with the film society. "But we've shown musicals that are some of the weirdest films I've ever seen. Some of the strangest and darkest stuff I've seen on film falls in that period of classic film."

You have to actively look for those kinds of pictures, she said, which the film society does.

"We want people to walk away and be like, 'OK, this movie I just saw from 1940 is one of the trippiest things I've ever seen,'" Lyon said. "People in the 1940s were just as weird as we are."

"We showed a musical

called 'Yolanda and the Thief' from 1945. It's directed by Vincente Minnelli and it's got Fred Astaire in it. On paper, it seems like the kind of movie those guys in that Esquire interview wouldn't want to watch, but it's one of the weirdest things I've ever seen (laughs). It's fun and

just really bizarre."

Because of the ease of access streaming provides, it feels as if we should be able to watch more films than ever. That's just not the case with older films, especially if you chucked your DVD player years ago.

Kanopy is an on-demand streaming platform used by public libraries across the country and is one place to start; the Chicago Public Library, however, uses a different platform called "Hoopla" and it does not appear to have any classic films listed.

Other places to look, per Lopez: "Amazon Prime has some insanely great classics. (On) YouTube you can find less-than-legit options. Places like archive.org and there's the whole Library of Congress website. And Pluto TV or Tubi TV."

As for TCM, Lopez thinks the recent change is "just going to force more people to cancel their cable. Sling and Hulu still have TCM On Demand and you can just watch it through those."

"Or the saddest thing is it will cause even more people to say, 'I don't necessarily need that channel anymore,' and that in turn justifies this belief that TCM is no longer valid."

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'THE CURRENT WAR' ★★ 1/2

Edison vs. Westinghouse not very enlightening

Ensemble loaded with smart actors can't carry film

BY MICHAEL PHILLIPS

Two years ago at the Toronto International Film Festival, a movie about Thomas Edison, George Westinghouse, Nikola Tesla and, for a climax, the dazzling illumination of the 1893 Chicago World's Fair, failed utterly to ignite the movie world.

En route to its premiere, "The Current War" met with more than the usual amount of uber-meddling from distributor Harvey Weinstein. A few weeks after the Toronto festival, The New York Times published the first history-making story by Jodi Kantor and Megan Twohey detailing a gathering storm of sexual assault and serial harassment allegations against Weinstein. After decades of one mogul's predation, suddenly, that was that. The unreleased "Current War" went into turnaround and became an asterisk.

Now there's a director's cut of "The Current War," already released in England, featuring newly shot footage, various cuts, re-orderings, a new musical score and a 10-minute-shorter running time. I never saw the earlier version. This one remains a bit of a mess, but a pretty interesting one, as well as one of the few films this year deserving (in both admirable and dissatisfying ways) of the adjective "instructive."

Director Alfonso Gomez-Rejon ("Me and Earl and the Dying Girl") sweats like crazy to visually energize a story largely about alternating current versus direct current, embodied by the driven but very different inventors and industrialists at the fictionalized story's center. The fictionalized history cov-



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Nicholas Hoult plays Nikola Tesla in "The Current War."

MPAA rating: PG-13 (for some violent content and thematic elements)

Running time: 1:47

ered by "The Current War" takes place in the last two decades of the 19th century. Benedict Cumberbatch stews and furrows his way through the role of the distracted Edison, in a performance more concerned with interior tension than audience love. Unkempt and increasingly unscrupulous, Edison lives in the shadow of personal tragedy; Tuppence Middleton portrays his wife in a few quick early scenes.

With the sometime

assistance of the brilliant Serbian-born Tesla (Nicholas Hoult), Edison scores an early victory by lighting up a good chunk of New York City with his direct current. His wily but fair-minded competitor is Westinghouse (Michael Shannon, reminding the world he can play subtle and intriguing men of honorable character), boasting the more efficient AC system. Westinghouse's company powers more and more of the outlying nation, away from Manhattan's bright lights. And while the movie lacks a conventional structure — it's based on a musical play screenwriter Michael Mitnick wrote in grad school at Yale — the third act con-

cerns who will win the contract to illuminate the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago.

The movie offers one peculiarity after another. The director's cut foregrounds the supporting character of Tesla, if only to explain to the audience his relationships to Edison and Westinghouse. (The scene where Tesla's upbraided by his boss as a measly "immigrant" wasn't in the original cut.) The current and much-loved "Spider-Man," Tom Holland, plays Edison's devoted assistant Samuel Insull. He comes into prominence late in the game; as Marguerite Westinghouse, Katherine Waterston does a lot with a

little. Smart actors, and this ensemble's full of them, know they needn't do a lot, with elegant period costumes handling so much of the work for them.

The movie's cool to the touch, dealing with characters that might be considered chilly or remote. Nervous about boring the audience, Gomez-Rejon and cinematographer Chung-hoon Chung spin the camera 'round and 'round, here a twirling overhead zoom, there a nostril-proximity fisheye closeup. It's strenuous, though the settings and production designs shine. The movie, which began filming in late 2016, was made mostly in England, and the digital effects

bring the Chicago World's Fair to life tantalizes with its glimpses of a long-vanished, blindingly bright revolution in technology. Westinghouse was, by most accounts, a humane industrial giant, crediting his engineers and inventors by name in his company's many patents. Edison, by contrast, led with his egocentric belief in self-branding and put his name on everything. "The Current War" may be tough on Edison, properly, but it's a better movie because of it.

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Roman Griffin Davis, from left, writer/director Taika Waititi and Scarlet Johansson star in the World War II satire "Jojo Rabbit."

'JOJO RABBIT' ★★

Waititi's silly WWII-era satire warms the heart but lacks bite

BY KATIE WALSH
Tribune News Service

In Taika Waititi's film "Jojo Rabbit," billed as an "anti-hate satire," the Maori-Jewish New Zealand filmmaker himself plays Adolf Hitler. But that seems to both the beginning and the end of the joke. This Hitler is an imaginary friend to little Hitler Youth member Jojo (Roman Griffin Davis), and Waititi's silly, irreverent performance takes the pomp and vigor out of the blustering Führer, declawing the towering 20th century figure of hate. However, in doing so, he declaws his own satire, too. "Jojo Rabbit," based on the book "Caging Skies" by Christina Leunens, is not quite a satire because it's trying hard to be heart-warming at the same time — all against the backdrop of the waning days of World War II in an unnamed German city.

Little Jojo, short for Johannes, is an eager Hitler Youth who sets off excitedly for a training weekend led by the eccentric one-eyed Captain K (Sam Rockwell) and his assistants (Alfie Allen and Rebel Wilson). Despite his enthusiasm and affirmations supplied by his fantastical chats with Der Führer, Jojo learns the

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Running time: 1:48

hard way about the cruelty of older kids, earning the nickname Jojo Rabbit when he's unable to kill a bunny. Horrifically scarred by a grenade accident, Jojo returns home to convalesce with his mother, Rosie (Scarlett Johansson), and wonder about his place in the Reich.

Rosie, left alone to care for her son, is the wisest adult in Jojo's life, not that he'd recognize it. One day he discovers a secret compartment in the walls of his dead sister Inge's room, and inside that he finds one of Inge's old friends, Elsa (Thomasin McKenzie), a Jew. This discovery rocks Jojo's world, and his understanding of his mother, of Jews, of women, of other Nazi men and of himself. All the while he wrestles with his inner moral compass, embodied by this raucous, wide-eyed, ridiculous Hitler.

Wes Anderson seems a clear influence on Waititi's visual style here, offering a sense of arch artifice and highly stylized cool with vibrant, graphic production and costume design

captured in locked-off shots and horizontal pans. Waititi sets a bouncy tone for the performances, which are far more loose and playful than the usually mannered, ironic Andersonian characters. On one end of the spectrum, the perpetually absurd Wilson embodies the full comic potential of a brainless Nazi follower. On the other, the exceptionally gifted and sincere McKenzie brings out the full heartbreak of the violent reality.

The setting and content of "Jojo Rabbit" are certainly hot-button issues. It's not often that we see one of the world's most lovable filmmakers goose-stepping in a toothbrush mustache while offering up ironic anti-Semitism. But Waititi, who adapted the screenplay as well, lets the controversial subject matter take the place of social commentary. There's something to be said for piercing power with humor, for rubbing our faces in the horrible thing and making us confront it with an amusing tonic that helps the medicine go down. But after several story bumps and roads not taken, Waititi opts for the path of least resistance. At the end of "Jojo Rabbit," you're just left wondering what the point of it all was.

'BURNING CANE' ★★★

Sweet and sour Louisiana story from a teen filmmaker

BY MICHAEL PHILLIPS

No MPAA rating

Running time: 1:18

The slow-burn feature debut "Burning Cane" works like a supple, elliptical short story, 78 minutes front to back, set among the residents and regrets of a rural Louisiana community.

It's not the kind of Delta indie to rattle anyone's roof, or deliver a walloping sort of experience, the way Benh Zeitlin's 2012 "Beasts of the Southern Wild" did. Zeitlin, for the record, served as executive producer on this film, which ends with a literal bang: an act of retribution heard, but not visualized on screen. Up until that moment, however, the film favors more subtly melancholy strains and, at its best, a poetic touch.

The writer-director is Phillip Youmans, an auspicious filmmaker who shot "Burning Cane" when he was all of 17. (He also served as his own cinematographer.) Wendell Pierce leads the cast. The rock-steady veteran of "The Wire," "Suits," director Ava DuVernay's excellent "Selma" and, currently on stage in London, "Death of a Salesman," guides the film even though his character, a widowed church leader losing himself in alcohol, desperately seeks guidance

himself.

Several of Pierce's scenes find the reverend at the pulpit, working through what's ailing him. Material possessions won't prepare you for this life or the next, he says: "It's the friendships that you have. It's the kindness that you do."

The reverend's not-so-hidden crisis mirrors the one afflicting Daniel (Dominique McClennan), another lonely man, this one raising a preteen son (Braelyn Kelly), recklessly. The father's drunkenness — more than once, he forces liquor, mixed with milk, on his own son — masks a terrible secret. Daniel's mother, Helen (Karen Kaia Livers), gradually realizes her role in how this swerving narrative plays out.

Helen takes center stage in "Burning Cane" from the opening, with a disarmingly detailed voiceover account of her old dog Jojo's mange, and the home remedies she has tried, with no success, involving vegetable oil, Borax, honey and other products. Helen's the one Rev. Tillman turns to when he's too drunk to drive home from the Piggly Wig-

gly. Coping with these men has its clear limits.

The people in Youmans' film complicate a simple plot summary by presenting more than one face to the world, and to the camera. Daniel's not all bad; Helen's not all saint; Rev. Tillman's not all sinner. The movie becomes a reverie shrouded in cigarette smoke (one character expounds on the merits of Winstons versus Marlboros) and the sound of the outdoors: insects, the crackle of a distant cane field, smoldering.

It's a little protracted, even at its efficient running time, and here and there "Burning Cane" indulges in a repeated action (Daniel vomiting; the reverend driving down a country road at his peril) that reiterates an idea without amplifying. Youmans has cinema in his bones, though, and he's attuned to his own wavelength. DuVernay's Array distribution company deserves all good things for backing him. And following its limited theatrical release, you can take a chance on this film's delicate strengths when Netflix starts streaming it Nov. 6.

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Wendell Pierce leads the cast in Phillip Youmans' "Burning Cane."

WATCH THIS: FRIDAY



Chris Jacobs and Lisa Joyner

“Long Lost Family” (9 p.m., 1 a.m., TLC): Hosts Chris Jacobs and Lisa Joyner return with more stories of estranged relatives forced to endure separation from their loved ones, but who now get to take a step toward finding and reuniting with those relatives. Tonight’s opener involves identical twins seeking their birth mother. Future episodes include the story of a man whose failure thus far to find his birth mother has led to issues.

“Sweet Mountain Christmas” (7 p.m., 11:01 p.m., Lifetime): En route to New York for a Christmas concert, country music star Laney Blu (Megan Hilty) finds herself stranded by a freak snowstorm in the Tennessee hometown she hasn’t seen in years. Laney has decidedly mixed emotions about this homecoming, since the community was not especially kind to her when she was younger. As she reluctantly agrees to take part in a local holiday program, however, she lets go of old resentments and embraces a potential romance in this 2019 yuletide drama. Marcus Rosner also stars.

“Designed to Kill” (7 p.m., 11 p.m., LIFEMOV): Suzanne (Jamie Luner) is a full-blown psychotic, but she’s also an accomplished fashion photographer, and when she manages to transform unassuming high-school nerd David (Joshua Hoffman) into an authentically hot male model, he’s obviously grateful for her help. Unfortunately, that’s when Suzanne turns the crazy dial to 10 and becomes obsessed with her new creation, a fatal attraction that compels her to homicidal actions. Linsey Godfrey also stars in this 2018 thriller.

“A Merry Christmas Match” (8 p.m., HMM): After her best friend (Lindsey Gort) leaves their hometown to pursue dreams of TV stardom in Hollywood, Corey Calvin (Ashley Newbrough, “Privileged”) settles into a quiet life of helping her mother keep afloat the small antique shop her late father left them. When handsome Ryder Donnelly (Kyle Dean Massey, “Nashville”), a real-estate scion from L.A., comes into the shop to browse, however, their mutual chemistry is undeniable — especially after Ryder sends her a meaningful gift on his return to California, in this 2019 holiday romance.

“Hell Fest” (9:30 p.m., Showtime): Fans of Ray Bradbury’s far more elegant “Something Wicked This Way Comes” may notice some similar, if far gorier, touches in Gregory Plotkin’s 2018 slasher film, set in a malevolent horror theme park that travels the United States during the Halloween season. Amy Forsyth stars as Natalie, who joins two of her friends and their boyfriends for a visit to Hell Fest, where a masked figure (Stephen Conroy) begins murdering them. Other spectators misinterpret the carnage as being part of the theme park attractions. Tony Todd (“Candyman”) co-stars.

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“The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon” (10:34 p.m., NBC): Jimmy Fallon brings A-list guests, signature comedy bits and chart-topping music to late night.*

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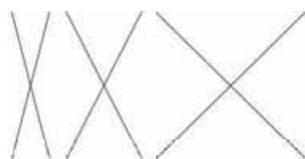
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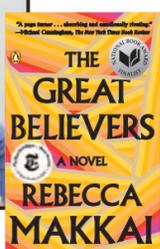


Sarah Smarsh

+ Columnist Mary Schmich

12:30 P.M.

GALVIN RECITAL HALL, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
70 ARTS CIRCLE DRIVE, EVANSTON



Rebecca Makkai

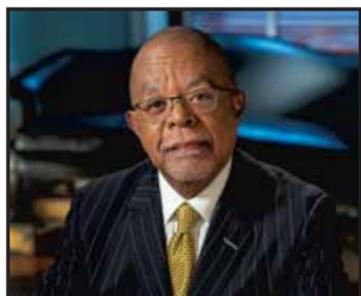
+ Columnist Rick Kogan

4:30 P.M.

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LITERARY PRIZE WINNER



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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (Oct. 25): Step into a money-making power zone this year. Maintain consistent communications for best results. Creative projects flower this winter before a shift reroutes your itinerary. An income challenge next summer leads to an exciting and valuable educational opportunity.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Travel and other interruptions disrupt routines, and this could impact your partner. Your collaboration now can have long-lasting benefits.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Communication and connection can provide lasting benefits, especially for health, work and fitness. Teach and learn. Exchange ideas and tricks.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 9. Discuss long-term plans and dreams with your sweetheart. Speculate and imagine. Take action where plans intersect. Collaborate for common gain. Romance delights. Incite possibility.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 7. Household matters benefit from communication and love. The improvements you put in make a lasting difference. Give energy and effort to your home and family.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Take a creative tack. To learn at a deeper level, teach. Share your discoveries and curiosities. A lucky break develops when you explore new connections.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. You're growing stronger. Get what you want with an optimistic outlook. Upgrade your skills, image and presentation. Polish your portfolio and shine.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 6. Resist impulsive or reactionary moves. Lay low and imagine different scenarios. Consider which path to choose. Review options and choose carefully. Listen to inner wisdom.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 9. If you align forces for a common goal, you'll be unbeatable. Friends share the load and broaden your reach. Clarify issues first.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. Keep your professional objective in mind. Determination and persistence pay off big. Align your words and actions to advance a long-desired passion.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. An educational opportunity tempts you. Coordinate a great adventure without spending a fortune. Seek funding solutions, scholarships and stipends.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Coordinate closely with your partner and play your cards close to your chest. A golden opportunity requires steady action to grow over time into lasting value.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Together, you're a powerful force. Strengthen bonds with shared fun and good food. An extra boost now provides long-term benefits.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss



Bridge

North-South vulnerable, East deals

North		East	
♠ 93	♥ J52	♠ 10 6 5	♥ 10 9 7 6 4
♦ A 2	♣ K Q 8 6 3	♦ 3	♣ J 10 9 4
West		South	
♠ J 8 4 2	♥ K 8 3	♠ AK Q 7	♥ A Q
♦ 9 8 7 5	♣ 7 5	♦ K Q J 10 6	♣ A 2

The East hand apparently qualifies for a weak two-bid in some parts of the world. Don't visit those parts of the world. It's too dangerous. South could hardly not bid the grand slam. He could only count 12 sure tricks, but 13 would be there if partner held the jack of clubs, the jack of spades, or as a last resort, the weak two-bidder held the king of hearts.

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
2♥	Db1	3♥	4♣
Pass	4NT*	Pass	5♠**
Pass	7NT	All pass	

*Key Card Blackwood for clubs
**Two key cards plus the queen of clubs

Opening lead: Seven of ♣

fishy to South. Why in the world would West not lead hearts unless he was looking at the king? South decided to take precautions.

The opening club lead was won with the ace. South cashed the ace of hearts before cashing five diamond tricks and two more club tricks, discarding his queen of hearts. This was the position with the lead in dummy:

North		East	
♠ 93	♥ J	♠ 10 6	♥ 10
♦ Void	♣ 8	♦ Void	♣ J
West		South	
♠ J 8 4 2	♥ K	♠ AK Q 7	♥ Void
♦ Void	♣ Void	♦ Void	♣ Void
♣ Void	♠ Void	♠ Void	♣ Void

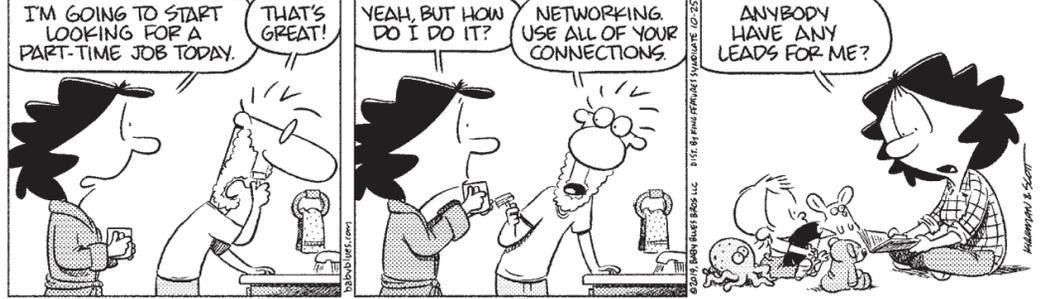
West, who still had to discard on the queen of clubs to get down to four cards, could not defend the position. Any discard would give South the rest of the tricks. Well played! Let's get out of here!

— Bob Jones, tcaeditors@tribpub.com

Dilbert



Baby Blues



Zits



Mr. Boffo



Frazz



Classic Peanuts



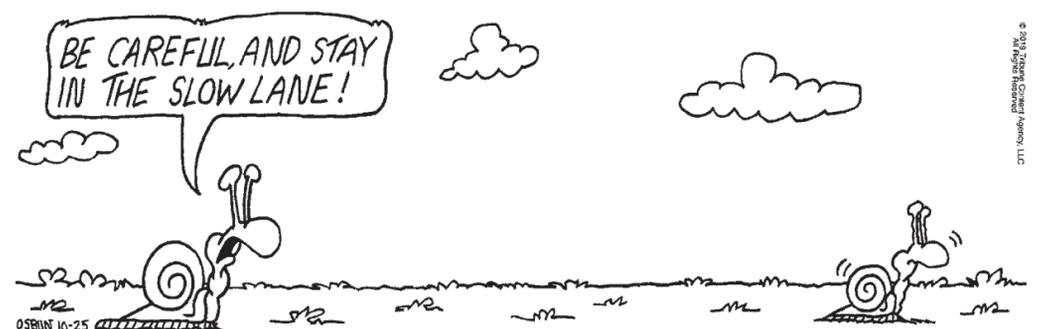
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Dick Tracy



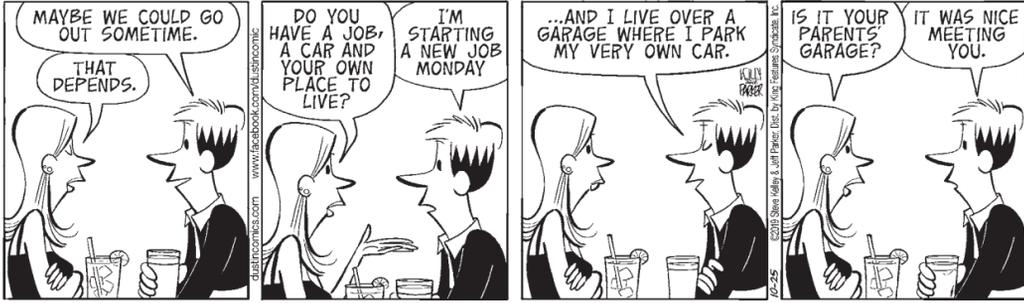
Animal Crackers



Prickly City



Dustin By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



For Better or for Worse By Lynn Johnston



Blondie By Dean Young and John Marshall



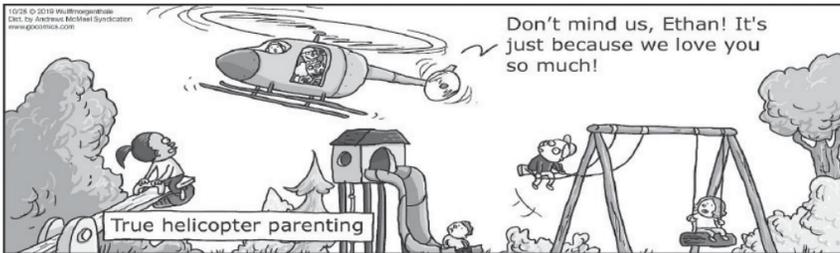
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Mutts By Patrick McDonnell



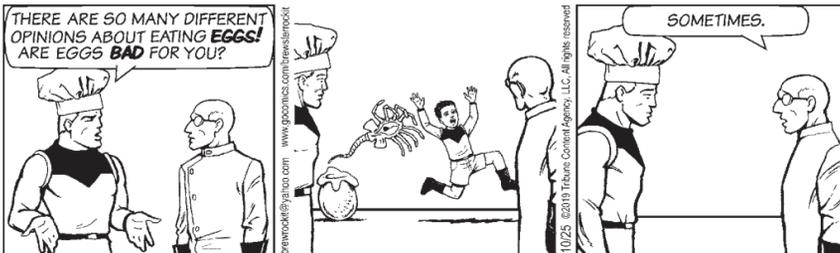
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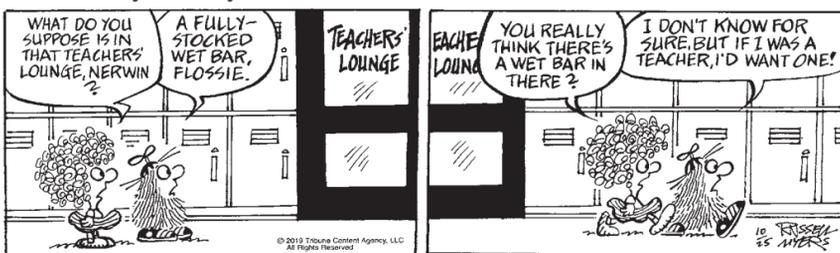
Sherman's Lagoon By Jim Toomey



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Trivia Bits

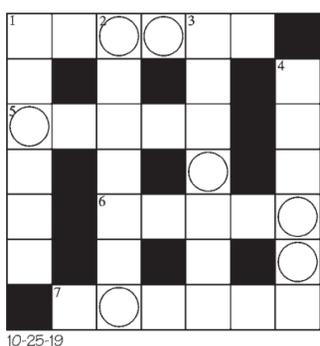
What nonprofit organization was founded by Candy Lightner in Oct. 1980?

- A) Doctors Without Borders
- B) Human Rights Watch
- C) MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving)
- D) Teach for America

Thursday's answer: One dash in Morse code signifies the letter T.

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Jumble Crossword



10-25-19

CLUE: _____ launched in July of 2006.

BONUS: _____

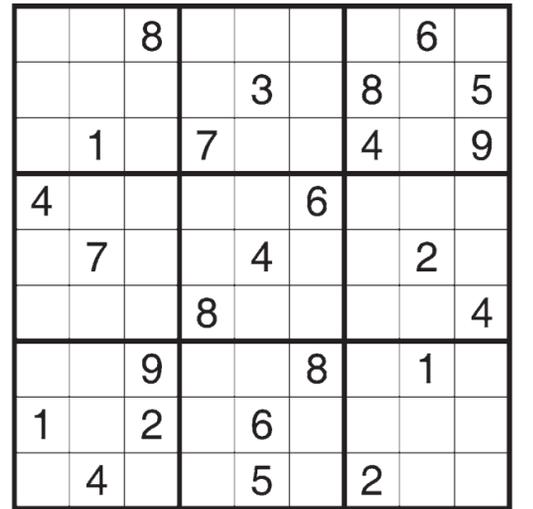
- ACROSS**
- 1. Unyielding
 - 5. _____ bottle
 - 6. Surprise
 - 7. Position
- DOWN**
- 1. Tom _____
 - 2. Take back
 - 3. Shower _____
 - 4. _____ key

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

ANSWERS: 1-A-5-FRICT 5-A-AMAZO 7-A-AMAZO 7-B-SCIENCE 7-C-SCIENCE 7-D-SCIENCE 7-E-SCIENCE 7-F-SCIENCE 7-G-AMAZO 7-H-AMAZO 7-I-AMAZO 7-J-AMAZO 7-K-AMAZO 7-L-AMAZO 7-M-AMAZO 7-N-AMAZO 7-O-AMAZO 7-P-AMAZO 7-Q-AMAZO 7-R-AMAZO 7-S-AMAZO 7-T-AMAZO 7-U-AMAZO 7-V-AMAZO 7-W-AMAZO 7-X-AMAZO 7-Y-AMAZO 7-Z-AMAZO

Sudoku 1 2 3 4

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6	4	2	1	7	9	3	8	5
5	1	7	3	8	4	2	6	9
8	9	3	5	2	6	1	4	7
2	3	6	9	1	5	4	7	8
4	5	8	7	3	2	6	9	1
9	7	1	4	6	8	5	3	2
3	2	4	8	9	1	7	5	6
7	6	9	2	5	3	8	1	4
1	8	5	6	4	7	9	2	3

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Thursday's solutions

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Jumble

Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.

GACYE
SNATL
THELEM
LRIDEV

We need to head into Bangor for some lobster rolls. There are so many great places to rent here.

LODGING IS IMPORTANT TO THE ECONOMY OF THE "PINE TREE STATE" AND IS CONSIDERED A ---

Answer here

“○○○○○ - ○○○○”

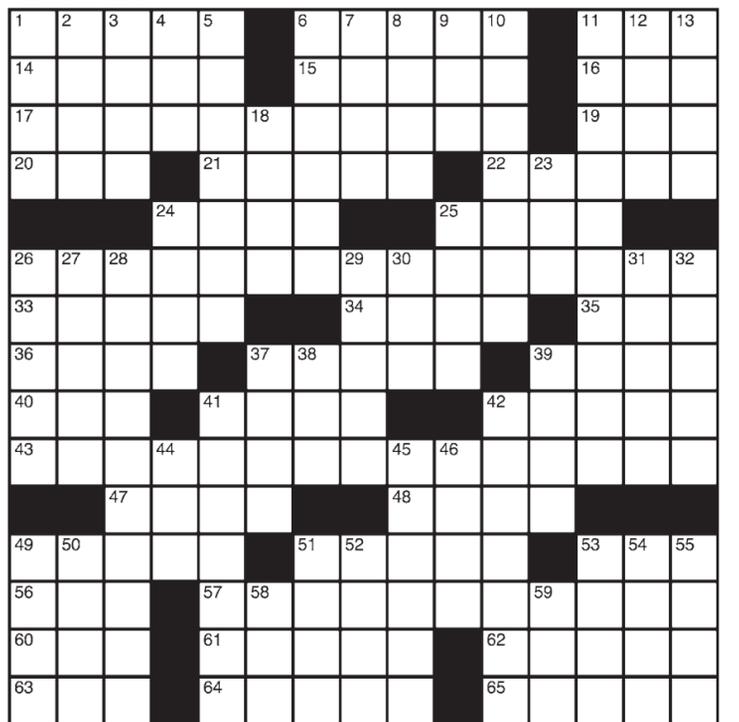
Thursday's answers

Jumbles: WHOSE COUPE GUTTER TUXEDO
Answer: She was having twins and was experiencing all the things she — EXPECTED “TWO”

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Crossword

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Across

- 1 Bewildered
- 6 Public row
- 11 Friend
- 14 Missouri tribe
- 15 Lake that ultimately feeds 8-Down
- 16 “_ we good?”
- 17 Bingeing on chicken pieces?
- 19 Meadow
- 20 Vote against
- 21 Employee's request
- 22 Tale of Achilles and Agamemnon
- 24 Tasting room container
- 25 Soon, to a bard
- 26 Roman naturalist's baseball-playing namesake?
- 33 Climbing and passing places
- 34 Preserves, in a way
- 35 “Hooray!”
- 36 Inch, e.g.

- 37 Source of the fairy-tale sequence that creates four long puzzle puns
- 39 Interlaced
- 40 Executive gp.
- 41 Chart entries
- 42 Tailed orbiter
- 43 Prize coveted by competitive trees?
- 47 Negotiate a green
- 48 Echelon
- 49 Airport conveyors, or what are sometimes placed on them
- 51 Wispy clouds
- 53 Spanish she-bear
- 56 _ Today
- 57 Sports Officialdom
- Illustrated cover image?
- 60 Apple product
- 61 Superficial
- 62 Boredom
- 63 Take to court
- 64 Is crowded (with)
- 65 Falls from the sky

- 12 Bailiwick
- 13 Heavy metal
- 18 Right on the map
- 23 Web prefix with cat
- 24 Tech review website
- 25 “_ Nobody's Business”: blues standard
- 26 Assess the depth of
- 27 “Blue Sky” Oscar winner
- 28 Where everything should be
- 29 Online money
- 30 Ventilation source
- 31 Roof edges
- 32 “I can't go all my life waiting to catch you between husbands” speaker
- 37 Donation
- 38 Big comm. company, once
- 39 _ load
- 41 Trendy nightclub
- 42 Pine, e.g.
- 44 Son of Akhenaten
- 45 Box score statistic
- 46 Gambling game involving matching cards
- 49 Borrows without returning
- 50 Jacob's brother
- 51 Dove home
- 52 List part
- 53 Hyatt competitor
- 54 Like a web
- 55 Sale warning
- 58 Tint
- 59 Duessa's foe in Spenser's “The Faerie Queene”

Thursday's solution



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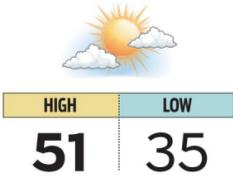
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FRIDAY, OCT. 25 NORMAL HIGH: 59° NORMAL LOW: 40° RECORD HIGH: 79° (1963) RECORD LOW: 14° (1887)

Sun returns Friday before rain reigns Saturday

LOCAL FORECAST



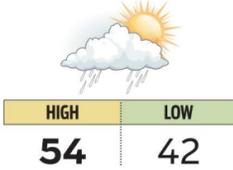
■ The center of cool high pressure drifts overhead as low pressure develops in the Gulf of Mexico and lower Mississippi Valley.
 ■ Clearing skies to the NW allow temps to drop into the lower to middle 30s with frost or even freezing temps around sunrise from the Fox River Valley west. Clouds over the immediate Chicago area and south will gradually drift off to the east.
 ■ Becoming mostly sunny in the afternoon, highs reaching the lower 50s – about 8-9° below normal.
 ■ Some increase in cloudiness overnight
 ■ Light N winds 5-10 mph.

NATIONAL FORECAST



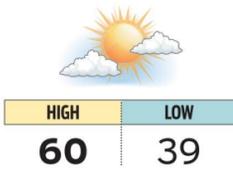
With low pressure developing to our south, a brief intrusion of high pressure will allow the skies to welcome sunshine Friday. However, this high pressure quickly moves off to the east and the low pressure system spreads clouds and rain over our area Saturday. Rain will slowly end from the west Saturday night as a leading edge of another high pressure spreads into our area.
 Sunday may be our warmest day – perhaps for some time – with readings forecast to reach the 60 degree mark under sunny skies. High pressure persists Monday but it will be turning cooler as the upper air pattern undergoes a slow change that will usher in increasingly colder air into our area as the week goes on. Clouds and rain with slowly falling temps are expected Tuesday and Wednesday with light snow a possibility by Halloween.

SATURDAY, OCT. 26



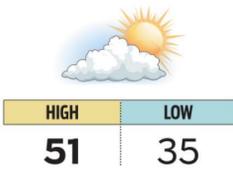
Clouds thicken and lower as low pressure approaches from the south. Rain likely developing by afternoon and continuing overnight – ending from the west toward morning. SE winds 8-15 mph.

SUNDAY, OCT. 27



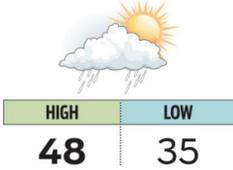
Clouds depart to the east early. Becoming mostly sunny. Afternoon highs upper 50s to lower 60s. Partly cloudy skies overnight. NW winds.

MONDAY, OCT. 28



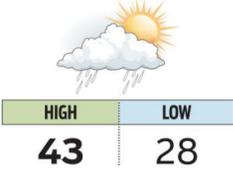
Colder air settles into the region. Scattered clouds with afternoon highs in the lower 50s – 40s at the lakefront. Increasing clouds overnight with a chance of light rain with morning western sections. Southerly winds.

TUESDAY, OCT. 29



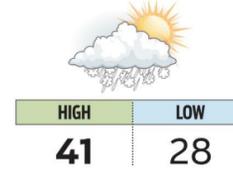
Clouds thicken during the day with a chance of showers – best chance later in the day and overnight. Chilly highs in the mid to upper 40s. Gusty NE winds.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 30

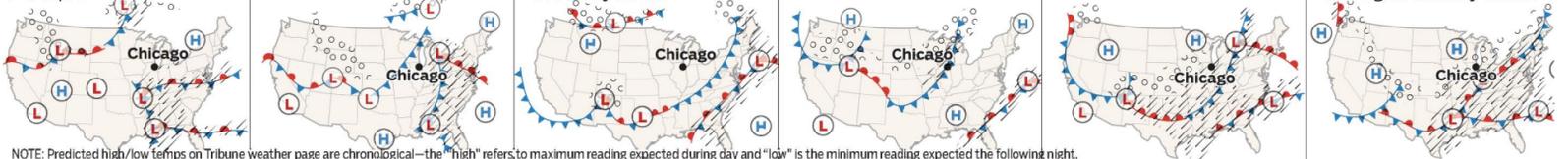


Considerable cloudiness, rather windy and cold with a chance of light rain. High temps in the lower 40s. Rain could become mixed with snow overnight. E to NE winds 10-20 mph.

THURSDAY, OCT. 31



A cloudy, chilly Halloween. Afternoon temps struggle to reach 40°. Precipitation likely – there's a good chance it could be rain mixed with or changing over to snow. Light snow likely overnight. Easterly winds.



NOTE: Predicted high/low temps on Tribune weather page are chronological—the "high" refers to maximum reading expected during day and "low" is the minimum reading expected the following night.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
 Ocean currents rotate clockwise in the Northern Hemisphere, but you also speak of counterclockwise winds. Is the difference caused by the Coriolis force?
 Pete Fenzler

Dear Pete,
 "Clockwise" and "counterclockwise" refer to a sense of rotation around a center, when viewed from above. Don't confuse those terms with the Coriolis deflection that, in the Northern Hemisphere, is directed to the right of the motion. This applies to anything that moves. When air blows inward toward a central point, the rightward Coriolis deflection causes a counterclockwise inward spiral. When air blows outward from a central point (from a high pressure center), the rightward Coriolis deflection causes a clockwise spiral outward. Ocean currents, driven by wind and water density differences, experience similar deflections.

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Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.

A chilly period ahead for Chicago; weekend precipitation

FRIDAY INTO SUNDAY
 Upper-air jet stream flow and low-level temp
 Upper-air "Short wave" disturbance will move out of the Texas Panhandle, passing over the Chicago area, triggering widespread rain Saturday; warm air to our south, cold air into the northern plains



SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

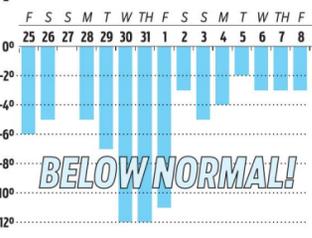
WET SYSTEM LIFTING OUT OF THE GULF



A CHILLY PERIOD FOR CHICAGO

Forecast 16-day daily temperature departures from normal

Oct. 25–Nov. 9, 2019



TRACKING CHICAGO'S DECLINING NORMAL TEMPS

FRIDAY OCT. 25	SATURDAY OCT. 26	TUESDAY OCT. 29	THURSDAY OCT. 31	SATURDAY NOV. 2	MONDAY NOV. 4	WEDNESDAY NOV. 6
High: 59° Low: 41°	High: 58° Low: 40°	High: 57° Low: 39°	High: 56° Low: 39°	High: 55° Low: 38°	High: 54° Low: 37°	High: 53° Low: 37°

MIDWEST CITIES

FRI./SAT.	FC HI LO	FC HI LO
Illinois	sh 63 50	pc 62 46
Carbondale	sh 56 42	pc 56 46
Champaign	sh 55 43	pc 55 45
Decatur	sh 53 31	sh 58 40
Moline	pc 51 30	sh 56 42
Peoria	pc 55 38	sh 56 40
Quincy	pc 52 31	sh 57 41
Rockford	pc 55 42	sh 55 43
Springfield	pc 52 31	sh 57 40
St. Louis	sh 64 48	pc 59 49
Bloomington	sh 66 52	pc 65 50
Evansville	sh 55 38	pc 58 51
Fort Wayne	sh 55 41	pc 58 48
Indianapolis	sh 55 41	pc 58 48
Lafayette	sh 52 35	pc 56 50
South Bend	sh 52 35	pc 56 50
Wisconsin	su 50 32	pc 55 40
Green Bay	su 50 32	pc 55 40
Kenosha	su 51 30	pc 56 39
La Crosse	su 51 30	pc 56 39
Madison	su 51 30	pc 56 39
Milwaukee	su 51 30	pc 56 39
Wausau	su 48 31	pc 52 34
Michigan	sh 55 36	pc 56 52
Detroit	sh 49 30	pc 55 48
Grand Rapids	su 49 36	pc 53 37
Marquette	su 47 34	pc 52 44
St. Ste. Marie	su 47 34	pc 52 44
Traverse City	su 47 34	pc 52 44
Iowa	su 53 28	pc 56 33
Ames	su 52 28	pc 56 33
Cedar Rapids	su 52 28	pc 56 33
Des Moines	su 52 28	pc 56 33
Dubuque	su 52 28	pc 56 33

OTHER U.S. CITIES

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Albany	sh 59 42	pc 57 45
Albuquerque	su 58 36	pc 67 40
Amarillo	su 50 26	pc 67 37
Anchorage	sh 44 34	sh 42 40
Asheville	sh 63 54	sh 64 62
Aspen	sh 63 27	sh 58 32
Atlanta	rm 65 63	sh 74 64
Atlantic City	sh 66 52	cl 63 57
Austin	sh 59 47	sh 71 48
Baltimore	sh 70 54	cl 65 59
Billings	pc 66 34	sn 39 22
Birmingham	pc 65 63	sn 74 57
Bismarck	pc 60 42	pc 45 26
Boise	su 66 36	pc 52 28
Boston	cl 61 50	pc 57 48
Brownsville	pc 66 51	su 76 52
Buffalo	sh 54 36	cl 56 51
Burlington	sh 54 39	pc 54 43
Charlotte	sh 73 58	cl 77 68
Charlston SC	pc 77 67	sh 78 72
Charlston WV	sh 66 48	rm 70 62
Chattanooga	rm 60 57	rm 73 61
Cheyenne	su 62 42	pc 61 19
Cincinnati	sh 67 49	rm 64 55
Cleveland	sh 58 47	rm 60 56
Colo. Spgs	su 57 36	su 68 29
Columbia MO	su 54 41	pc 53 38
Columbia SC	cl 79 62	pc 57 52
Columbus	sh 64 47	rm 60 56
Concord	sh 59 39	pc 57 38
Crps Christi	pc 66 50	su 75 53
Dallas	sh 54 48	pc 66 47
Daytona Bch.	ts 84 76	ts 86 75
Denver	su 60 44	su 69 29
Duluth	su 52 39	pc 56 38
El Paso	su 64 37	su 72 46
Fairbanks	ss 34 20	sh 37 33
Fargo	pc 57 41	cl 50 32
Flagstaff	su 60 25	su 68 34
Fort Myers	ts 90 75	ts 89 76
Fort Smith	rm 56 50	rm 57 44
Fresno	su 88 54	su 85 52
Grand Junc.	su 59 33	su 65 33
Great Falls	pc 67 31	sh 62 21
Harrisburg	sh 68 47	sh 64 57
Hartford	cl 64 45	pc 60 48
Helena	pc 68 33	ss 38 20
Honolulu	pc 88 76	pc 87 76
Houston	rm 62 52	pc 62 52
Int'l Falls	pc 53 41	cl 52 33
Jackson	su 61 64	rm 70 53
Jacksonville	ts 83 74	ts 83 74
Jameau	sh 65 34	cl 45 36
Kansas City	pc 56 38	pc 59 41
Las Vegas	su 77 52	su 80 52
Lexington	sh 67 54	rm 69 58
Lincoln	su 58 32	su 62 39
Little Rock	rm 57 53	rm 63 45
Los Angeles	su 91 64	su 87 61
Louisville	sh 68 53	rm 66 55
Macon	sh 74 65	cl 81 67
Memphis	rm 61 56	rm 66 51
Miami	ts 86 80	ts 86 79
Minneapolis	su 54 38	su 57 38
Mobile	ts 78 73	ts 79 60
Montgomery	rm 73 68	ts 80 61
Nashville	rm 64 57	rm 73 56
New Orleans	ts 75 72	rm 75 57
New York	cl 73 56	cl 64 57
Norfolk	cl 73 56	cl 74 63
Oklahoma City	su 68 41	pc 63 42
Omaha	su 56 33	su 59 39
Orlando	ts 85 75	ts 87 46
Palm Beach	ts 85 80	ts 86 78
Palm Springs	su 89 63	ts 92 61
Philadelphia	su 69 51	cl 66 56
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Portland, ME	sh 57 42	pc 56 40
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Salem, Ore.	pc 63 39	pc 56 36
Salt Lake City	su 62 43	pc 58 34
San Antonio	pc 63 44	su 73 47
San Diego	su 86 61	su 79 60
San Francisco	su 78 50	pc 66 52
San Juan	pc 87 78	pc 88 78
Santa Fe	su 53 31	su 62 35
Savannah	pc 80 70	ts 81 72
Seattle	rm 58 43	pc 54 37
Shreveport	rm 58 54	sh 61 48
Sioux Falls	su 58 38	pc 61 37
Spokane	pc 62 35	pc 49 27
St. Louis	sh 58 48	su 55 44
Tucson	pc 78 51	su 85 52
Tulsa	su 52 45	sh 60 42
Washington	sh 71 53	sh 66 60
Wichita	pc 56 38	pc 61 38
Wilkes Barre	cl 58 40	cl 57 47
Yuma	su 86 57	su 89 61
Acapulco	ts 84 76	pc 85 79
Algiers	pc 74 55	pc 73 53
Amsterdam	sh 58 56	pc 73 53
Ankara	pc 73 41	London sh 63 59
Athens	su 81 58	Madrid sh 68 43
Auckland	pc 63 54	Manila pc 92 79
Baghdad	pc 84 64	Mexico City sh 71 56
Bangkok	pc 95 79	Montreal pc 66 52
Barbados	pc 87 80	Montreal sh 50 40
Barcelona	su 70 53	Moscow pc 54 43
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Beirut	pc 79 71	Nairobi ts 81 69
Berlin	pc 63 50	Nassau ts 85 79
Bermuda	sh 79 73	New Delhi su 87 66
Bogota	cl 65 48	Oslo pc 53 35
Brussels	cl 60 56	Ottawa cl 52 34
Bucharest	pc 67 48	Panama City ts 83 75
Buenos Aires	su 74 42	Sofia cl 64 52
Cairo	sh 76 70	Prague pc 66 44
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CHICAGO DIGEST

THURSDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	49	35	Midway	51	42
Gary	51	45	O'Hare	50	42
Kankakee	51	42	Romeoville	50	37
Lakefront	49	44	Valparaiso	56	46
Lansing	51	42	Waukegan	51	40

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2019	NORMAL
Thu. (through 4 p.m.)	0.00"	0.10"
October to date	3.46"	2.41"
Year to date	42.82"	30.75"

CHICAGO SNOWFALL

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Thu. (through 4 p.m.)	0.0"	0.0"
Season to date	0.0"	0.0"
Normal to date	0.1"	0.1"

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Wind	N 8-12 kts. SE 10-20 kts.
Waves	1-2 feet 2-4 feet
Thu. shore/crib water temps	55°/53°

U.S. SNOW COVER

OCT. 24	2018	2019
Area covered by snow	6.5%	1.4%
Average snow depth	0.3"	0.1"

TRACKING THE COLD

SINCE OCT. 15	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Sub-32° highs	0 days	0 days
Subzero lows	0 days	0 days

CHICAGO AIR QUALITY

Thursday's reading	Good
Friday's forecast	Good
Critical pollutant	Particulates

SUNSHINE RISE/SET TIMES

Sun	7:14 a.m.	5:54 p.m.
Moon	3:53 a.m.	5:00 p.m.

THURSDAY PLANET WATCH

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	9:27 a.m.	6:43 p.m.
Venus	8:54 a.m.	6:45 p.m.
Mars	5:42 a.m.	5:14 p.m.
Jupiter	11:27 a.m.	8:34 p.m.
Saturn	1:04 p	

Chicago Tribune
ON THE TOWN



THINGS THAT GO BUMP IN THE NIGHT

Our top 10 haunted houses and Halloween events

BY DOUG GEORGE

Haunted houses are all open for business around the Chicago area. Now through Halloween is their high season, and some are open into November. Read on for our All Hallows' Eve top 10, including a few non-haunt attractions.

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Dungeon of Doom in Zion.
 CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

TAKE 10

BY ADAM LUKACH

1. Another October holiday: Head to Pilsen to celebrate Día de los Muertos at Day of the Dead Xicágo, as the park outside the National Museum of Mexican Art is transformed into a memorial space for departed loved ones. 3-8 p.m. Sunday, National Museum of Mexican Art, 1852 W. 19th St., free; nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org

2. Young Machine Gun Thug Kelly: Fans of either Young Thug or Machine Gun Kelly can enjoy a performance from an artist they (presumably) enjoy very much, while (presumably) taking in another from an artist about whom they are ambivalent. 8 p.m. Friday, Credit Union 1 Arena at UIC, 525 S. Racine Ave., ticketmaster.com

3. IG on Dark Mode: The IG-eye-candy wndr museum has been open for several months at this point, but the exhibition will be redecorating its space for the Halloween holiday with wndr After Dark. First entry at 6:30 p.m., final entry at 10 p.m. Friday, wndr museum, 1130 W. Monroe St., \$32, tickets available at doors; showclix.com

4. Mask off: Cover your face and head to the Lyric Opera for its annual Halloween Masquerade. Ticket includes open bar, hors d'oeuvres and after-party entry. 8-11:59 p.m. Saturday, Lyric Opera of Chicago, 20 N. Wacker Dr., \$150-\$200; lyricopera.org



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A procession of larger-than-life skeletons passes through the crowd during the Dia de los Muertos celebration hosted by the National Museum of Mexican Art at Harrison Park.

5. Trick or treating for all: The Spooky Zoo event offers an alternative trick-or-treating experience for kids whose neighborhoods are less Halloween-friendly, or those who can't go on the holiday proper. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Lincoln Park Zoo, North Cannon Drive at West Fullerton Parkway, free; facebook.com

6. Chat between greats: Witness legends respecting legends when photographer Lynn Goldsmith sits down with musician and writer Patti Smith for a conversation. Tickets are sold out, but some seats will be available on the morning of the event. Get in line. 7-8 p.m. Friday, MCA Chicago, 220 E. Chicago Ave.; walk-up tickets available

(first-come, first-served) on day of event; experience.mcchicago.org

7. Costume made for walkin': The Logan Square Halloween Parade is an annual tradition now in its 16th year. Bring the kids, put on your walking shoes, and watch for candy. 5-7 p.m. Sunday, Illinois Centennial Memorial Column, 3200 W. Logan Blvd., free, facebook.com

8. Giddy for Giddens: Musician and artist Rhiannon Giddens will deliver a talk on African influences in early American folk music. There are some seats remaining, if you want to roll the dice in the first-come, first-served line. 1-2 p.m. Sunday, Fullerton Hall, Art Institute of Chicago, 111 S. Michigan Ave., free, line forms outside venue at 12:30 p.m. for remaining available seats; sales.artic.edu

9. Double your scares: Take in some screams on the silver screen this weekend, as John Carpenter's "Halloween" gets the double feature treatment: his 1978 original is up first, then last year's sequel. 7-11 p.m. Sunday, Music Box Theatre, 3733 N. Southport Ave., single feature \$11, double feature \$15; musicboxtheatre.com

10. Chill out: Ray LaMontagne is passing through this weekend on his "Just Passing Through" tour. If you want to forgo some of the screams and frights and Halloween sights, LaMontagne offers a serene alternative. 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Chicago Theatre, 175 N. State St., \$40-\$238; msg.com

TURN IT UP

Just hard work and cool sounds

Big K.R.I.T. has made a rap career happen without big hits or a ton of radio play

By DAN HYMAN

"For me it was about building a foundation," the rapper Big K.R.I.T. says of his accomplishing that rare feat of launching and sustaining a thriving career in hip-hop without ever landing a smash single at radio. For K.R.I.T., whose rap moniker stands for "King Remembered in Time," doing it on his own terms remains a point of pride. "You on the radio," the Meridian, Mississippi-born emcee raps on "Make It Easy," a standout cut from his latest album, this year's "K.R.I.T. Iz Here," "They came to see me 'cause I did without a hit."

K.R.I.T. has long believed his building a grassroots fanbase, and particularly one who views him as an everyman rather than an untouchable superstar, has long been his greatest asset. "It was about me understanding radio might not have been for me and a hit record might not have worked for me," he offered. In fact, K.R.I.T. is of the opinion that arriving on the scene with a hit single can spell the kiss of death for an artist. "If that's the beginning of your career and people know you for a song, man, that's a really rough way for you to start foundation-wise," he said. "Because your fans might only know you for that song and then you have to figure out how to keep them engaged or you gotta come up with another hit."

K.R.I.T.'s biggest draw, by comparison, was always his sincerity and accessibility. "I think people could really relate to where I was coming from," the 33-year-old, who plays the House of Blues on Friday, added when calling one morning from a tour stop in Denver. "There wasn't this superhero aspect to me. It was always about me really being human in my music and talking about my faults, the things I go through on a daily basis, whether it's a happy day or a sad day. My anxiety. My depression. And then fighting through that. It helped people understand why I'm doing this."

Despite some of his earliest standout tracks being Southern-flavored turn-up anthems — notably "Country S - -" and "Rotation," two breakout songs, respectively, off his twin seminal mixtapes, 2010's "K.R.I.T. Wuz Here" and the following year's "Return of 4Eva" — the rapper's candor and ability to fully reveal himself



JOSHUA KISSI

Big K.R.I.T. completed roughly 80 songs for his latest LP before narrowing it down to the 19 that appear on the album.

When: 6:30 p.m., Friday (w/Rapsody)

Where: House of Blues, 329 N. Dearborn St.

Tickets: \$28.50; 312-923-2000 or www.houseofblues.com

before his audience kept him a viable and respected artist when so many others who came up during the rap-blog era fell off.

Not that he didn't have to fight for his vision and subsequent success. K.R.I.T. recalls early on one label A&R attempting to discourage him from releasing 2010's "Children of the World," a brutally honest song that remains one of his most powerful. "What good is a degree when there's no jobs to apply? / And fast food won't do 'cause you overqualified," he raps of the all-too-common plight for young African American men like him. "I'm feeling like hustling / Tired of the food stamps and budgeting."

"I said, 'People need to hear this,'" K.R.I.T. recalls telling that A&R. "And he said, Man, nobody wants to hear that.

People just want to have fun. They just wanna party." K.R.I.T. knew better: he shot a DIY-style music video for the song, threw it online and within days it had gone viral. As he tells it now, that experience taught K.R.I.T. not only about needing to stick to his guns but also about what his audience looked to him for.

"People wanted something of that nature from me," he said in reflection. "They could relate. Because, sure, you listen to the radio on the way to the club and it will get you going. But when you had a bad day at work or school I had a song for you."

So many of K.R.I.T.'s musical peers soon took notice of his skills and hopped on his growing acclaim: to date, the rapper has collaborated with a who's who of hip-hop royalty, including Lil Wayne, J. Cole, 2 Chainz, A\$AP Ferg, Ludacris and Bun B. And, in a career highlight, K.R.I.T. teamed up with the late-blues icon B.B. King for "Praying Man" off 2012's "Live From the Underground."

Even now, years into his career, the rapper is still opening himself up to new experiences. Most notably, where he'd

once handled the majority of the production on his albums, for his last two albums he has recruited outside talent. Following 2017's "4Eva is a Mighty Long Time," a double album where he produced roughly 75% of the tracks, "It just made sense to work with other people and put myself in position to solely just write," he said of his process for "K.R.I.T. Iz Here." It also made him more prolific: K.R.I.T. completed roughly 80 songs for his latest LP, before narrowing it down to the 19 that appear on the album. "It was a difficult process learning to let go," he admitted.

Now, with an eye toward the future, K.R.I.T. said he remains energized to continue evolving his craft. And defying the odds. "If I stay true to myself and the music I make it's gonna be all good," he said with a laugh. K.R.I.T. acknowledges the path he has taken to get here is an unorthodox one. "It's the road less traveled," he said. "But it makes for a beautiful experience."

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Kristen Kaza has curated Coven Classic, a seasonal event worth partygoers' attention.

LOCAL SOUNDS

Taking Halloween back from the drunken debauch crowd

By BRITT JULIOUS

When: 9 p.m. Wednesday

Where: Sleeping Village, 3734 W. Belmont Ave.

Tickets: \$15-\$20 (21+); sleeping-village.com

A party is so much more than a party in the hands of Kristen Kaza. Intentionality, heart, uniqueness and joy all play a role in building something special for the creator and her events. Her latest endeavor, Slo 'Mo Presents: The Coven Classic, is slated to return for its second edition this Wednesday at Sleeping Village.

Taking place right around the end of the month, the Coven Classic is more than just a Halloween party. Like most events from Kaza, the party shined a spotlight on marginalized communities, in this case featuring a lineup of nonbinary and cis and trans women.

The heart of the show includes a house band led by popular local musician Akenya (who has also performed with Resavoir and Noname). The group calls themselves Femme Slash, and is comprised of women and nonbinary performers. According to Kaza, the group first came together last year for the first Coven Classic. Its charming performance, only showcasing covers of songs by women and nonbinary performers, was such a success that they decided to keep the group going in the months after the first party. Since then, the outfit has taken its act across the city.

Kaza said Femme Slash is more than just a cover band. Cover bands have created something of a minor economy in Chicago. You can't stumble upon a neighborhood without hearing a lineup of '80s and '90s classics performed by cover groups with kitschy, pun-filled names. After a while the schtick gets old, and for many in the audience, the groups are nearly indistinguishable from each other. Not Femme Slash.

"I was thinking about the magic and

power of women through music. We need to feel that empowerment," Kaza said about the formation of Femme Slash. "I wanted to do a covers show to convey that kind of magic."

In a surprisingly male-dominated cover band world, Femme Slash takes a stand. Like last year, the group will cover songs by women and nonbinary artists spanning across multiple genres including hip-hop, soul, and rock. "There is this sensual power in their music," Kaza said. "It's a very cathartic experience seeing people feel that energy. There is a unifying sound across the genres of music."

In addition to Femme Slash, the event will feature a handful of performances from guest artists including Lindsay Charles of The Cell Phones, Supernova, and Thair, among many others. Like Femme Slash, each will offer a special interpretation of a beloved classic. "It's really powerful to see that kind of talent coming from the stage," Kaza added.

In some ways too, the Coven Classic is a reclaiming of Halloween from the grips of drunken revelry that typically define each year's celebration. Kaza called it a "reclaiming" of the appropriation of Halloween, returning it to the people and figures who, culturally, define what can make the holiday so special. "The culture of witches and magic gets stripped down," said Kaza. "This is giving the power and magic back to women and brujas."

Britt Julious is a freelance writer.

Hyde Park Jazz Society swings into the spotlight



HOWARD REICH
On Music

For roughly a decade, jazz flourished every Sunday night at Room 43, on the city's South Side.

But these performances amounted to much more than just another run of jazz sets. A bona fide scene developed at Room 43, neighborhood regulars and other music lovers convening each week. The occasion felt as much like a social gathering as a jazz show.

"It actually became a kind of family thing almost," says Judith Stein, who emceed the sets and serves as board secretary of the nonprofit Hyde Park Jazz Society, which presented the series.

"Although I never watched TV back then, and I never saw the show 'Cheers,' my guess is that our club atmosphere was a lot like that, where everybody knows your name.

"And even if we forgot your name, we remembered your face."

Unfortunately, a fire at Room 43 this year brought an end to the scene. A few subsequent performances took place at a nearby location, then silence.

Until now. On Sunday, the series emerges anew at The Promontory, at 5311 S. Lake Park Avenue West. The lineup begins big, with one of Chicago's preem-

inent jazz singers, Dee Alexander, performing with guitarist John McLean.

The idea is to continue nurturing jazz in and around Hyde Park, a passion lit years earlier by the late jazz advocate James Wagner, who also was a primary figure in launching the Hyde Park Jazz Festival (which celebrated its 13th year last month).

"It was Jim Wagner's dream to bring jazz back to the South Side," says Stein of a jazz champion who died in 2009 at age 75.

In his obituary, I wrote that, "No one did more to revive jazz in Hyde Park in recent years than James Wagner, a retired public health administrator who devoted more than a decade to the cause. Thanks to him — and those who joined his campaign — jazz now thrives Sunday nights at the rejuvenated Checkerboard Lounge on South Harper Court and at the annual Hyde Park Jazz Festival, which draws thousands to venues across the neighborhood."

In effect, the Hyde Park Jazz Society is ensuring that Wagner's dream lives on, in the form of the Promontory shows and, of course, the festival.

When the Room 43 scene collapsed, Stein and Hyde Park Jazz Society colleagues found themselves on the receiving end of many suggestions.

"People would reach out to us: Why don't you try this place? Why don't you try that place?" she recalls.

"The outreach was heartwarming, but we



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Dee Alexander will relaunch the Hyde Park Jazz Society's Sunday series at the Promontory with guitarist John McLean.

wanted to stay in some reasonable proximity to Hyde Park. Some of the places were all the way out on a 100th-something street or they weren't reasonable venues for us — not large enough."

All of which led the Hyde Park Jazz Society to The Promontory, a neighborhood spot that always has been welcoming, says Stein.

There's one caveat, though: The Sunday evening series no longer will run 12 months a year but, instead, will span October through the end of April.

"We were fine with that," says Stein. "That gives everybody a rest."

Indeed, because Chicagoans love to head outdoors during the warm-

weather months, the new schedule might be more in sync with the city's seasonal rhythms.

In the meantime, there's relief that the Hyde Park Jazz Society's Sunday scene will come to life again.

"Excited doesn't even touch it," says Stein. "I cannot tell you how amazing it is to walk down the street and have people come and say, 'We're so glad you're back!'"

"They keep saying: 'I don't even have to bring my car,'" citing The Promontory's location.

"And now we have a much better chance of getting college and graduate students in."

More new faces, perhaps, for everyone to remember.

The Alexander/McLean project plays sets at 7:30 and 9 p.m. Sunday at the Promontory, 5311 S. Lake Park Avenue West; \$10. Upcoming shows will feature Isaiah Collier, Nov. 3; Rajiv Halim, Nov. 10; Victor Goines, Nov. 17; Noteworthy Jazz Band, Nov. 24. Reservations recommended; 312-801-2100 or www.promontorychicago.com.

Haymarket Opera Company

The imaginative company, which takes on early period opera, presents John Frederick Lampe's satirical "The Dragon of Wantley," sung in English, with English supertitles. 5:30 p.m. Sunday and 7:30 p.m. Oct. 29 at the Stude-

baker Theater, 410 S. Michigan Ave.; \$30-\$95; 312-898-7446 or www.haymarketopera.org.

Tetzlaff and Vogt

Violinist Christian Tetzlaff and pianist Lars Vogt will perform Beethoven's Sonata for Piano and Violin No. 6 in A Major, Op. 30, No. 1; Shostakovich's Violin Sonata; Franck's Sonata for Violin and Piano; and Gyorgy Kurtag's "Tre Pezzi." 3 p.m. Sunday in Orchestra Hall at Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.; \$32-\$103; 312-294-3000 or www.cso.org.

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Haunted

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13th Floor Haunted House

1940 George St., Melrose Park (13thfloorchicago.com)

The 13th Floor haunt in Melrose Park has deep pockets; it's part of the nationwide Thirteenth Floor Entertainment Group. New for 2019, the haunt themes are Creature Feature and Other Side. In Creature Feature, classic movie monsters come back from the (dead/undead/undecided) in an abandoned theater. Inside the doors, expect the kind of Hollywood movie set-quality rooms you'll know from past years. A few highlights: A candlelit hall of druids, all absorbed in chanting and praying until one takes an interest in you. Another space has a simple-but-genius scene of open coffins, with tricks of perspective that make your eyes and feet disagree as to which way is up. All you'll know if you're falling into the coffins. The Other Side has been lovingly ripped off from a certain Netflix series you may know. Expect creatures in the forest and, um, stranger things. This second haunt has the newest rooms for 13th Floor this year, with scenes from science labs and roving actors that do justice to the theme.

Open daily through Halloween, closing Nov. 9. Hours are 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., open until 11 p.m. on Friday-Saturdays and Halloween night. Tickets are \$19.99-\$32.99, depending on day of the week. Fast Pass is \$10, Skip the Line is \$20.

Dungeon of Doom

600 29th St., Zion (dungeonofdoom.com)

This sprawling haunted house in north suburban Zion will take at least an hour to get through, and always has something new up its bloody, rotting sleeve. Buried Dead or Alive mimics the experience of you lying in the grave as they shovel the dirt back in. New for 2019, says owner Peter Koklamanis, is Condemned. The backstory is a prequel, of sorts, to the house's Tomb of Doom. Ill-fated missionaries who first came to the area made camp in a dead forest — and were consumed by its inhabitants. "You're immersed in a jungle as you walk into the new section," he said. "That's unique for a haunted house I think."

The Dungeon of Doom location adds to the atmospheric, down at the end of an isolated road, but be aware the parking is a couple of blocks away. The Edge of Escape Room Challenge is an extra \$17.

Open Fridays-Sundays, plus Oct. 24 and 31, through Nov. 2. Blackout Nights Nov. 8-9. Hours vary by date; Friday-Saturdays for most of October is 7 p.m.-midnight, Sundays to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$30 (general admission) to \$55 (VIP Front of Line).

Hellsgate Haunted House

1300 S. State St., Lockport (www.hellsgate.com)

Among the crowded field of haunted houses, this place is something different. To reach Hellsgate in Lockport, you park at the Lockport Metra lot (at 1300 S. State St.), and a shuttle will take you deep off the beaten path toward a mansion in the woods. The scares start before you get to the front door.

For a \$99 "Hell Pass," says Hellsgate, "we will mark your friend or family member as our personal target for the entire tour." So that could be fun.

Open Thursday-Sunday, plus Oct. 30. Through Nov. 2. Hours are 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. weekdays and Sunday, until 11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Tickets are \$30 (general admission), \$40 (VIP line skip), \$65 (instant entry).

Jack's Pumpkin Glow

2751 Navistar Drive, Lisle, on the east side of Naperville Road (glowpumpkin.com/chicago)

Put away your scares for a moment. New this year in Lisle, Jack's Pumpkin Glow is an all-ages, after-dark walk amid thousands of carved pumpkins, pumpkin sculptures and other light displays. Some are your front-porch archetypes: triangle eyes, orange glow, gap-toothed grin. Others are more elaborate: More than a dozen pumpkins carved together into a Día de los Muertos mask. Pumpkins being what they are, fresh carvings will be added every week through the end of the month. Professional carvers demonstrate their carving talents live, and attendees can pick up their own pumpkin at the end to take home.

Open Thursday-Sunday through Oct. 27. Hours are Thursdays 6:45 p.m.-9 p.m., Friday-Saturday 6:45 p.m.-10 p.m., Sunday 7 p.m.-9:30 p.m., with longer hours later in October. Tickets are



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The Dungeon of Doom haunted house in north suburban Zion is back with new scares and frights.



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A monster awaits visitors on the haunted trail at Hellsgate Haunted House in southwest suburban Lockport.



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Jack-o'-lanterns create a carnival display at Jack's Pumpkin Glow in west suburban Lisle. The new event also includes demonstrations.



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A person in costume waits to scare an oncoming group at 13th Floor Haunted House in near west suburban Melrose Park.

\$16.99 (ages 3-12 with timed admission) to \$29.99 (adult anytime).

Basement of the Dead

42 W. New York St., Aurora (basementofthedead.com)

Basement of the Dead in Aurora has both Basement of the Dead and Shattered Haunted House for your ticket. It's in Aurora, walking distance from the Metra stop in Tivoli Plaza, west of Hollywood Casino Aurora. Owner Todd Baraniak says they've invested six figures in the haunts, with new props and rooms for 2019. Also on site, Zombie Carnival has ax throwing and other games of skill (\$5, ages 18+), and there's the new Kraken Casino and Pirates Revenge to join Stabbin Cabin in the five-minute escape rooms (\$7 per player).

Open Thursday to Sunday, plus Oct. 30. Nov. 1-2 are Blackout Nights, you just get a flashlight to find your way. Hours are 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday and Sundays, open to 11 p.m. Friday-Saturdays. Tickets are \$30 (general admission), \$45 (VIP Fast Pass) and \$99 (Ultimate Package with all skip-the-line admissions and some souvenirs). Buy your ticket online and use for any day they're open; discounts for online purchases and for Thursdays.

The Massacre

299 Montgomery Road, Montgomery (fearthemassacre.com)

The Massacre in Montgomery is celebrating 10 years of scaring people this year. From its expansion last year, it again has Massacre and Freak Show 3D for your ticket (the latter including 3D

glasses). Now boasting 60 rooms and more than 20,000 square feet.

Also, there's a whole menu of Mind Trap Escape Rooms, most of them hourlong experiences and open year-round. Plus Bull & Bear Axe Throwing; your \$34.99 ticket to the public range will get you 90 minutes of target throwing as well as an axe coach.

Open Thursday to Sundays plus Oct. 30. Through Nov. 2. Hours from 7 p.m. most days, check the website as hours vary by date, as late as 6:30 p.m. to midnight later in October. Tickets are \$25.99 (general admission), \$35.99 (Fast Pass), \$49.99 (VIP Immediate Access with an escort, plus 5-Minute Escape Room). Some prices higher at the door; check the website for discounts. (Our favorite: \$5 off with ticket stub from any other haunted house.)

Fright Fest at Six Flags Great America

1 Great America Parkway, Gurnee (www.sixflags.com/greatamerica/special-events/fright-fest-night)

Come for the scares, stay for the rides, or the other way around. Fright Fest has been steadily expanding its options over the years and now includes themed rides (nine in all including the Whizzer) and live shows along with the haunts. New for 2019 are the haunted mazes 13th Order and Infected. Plus Manslaughter Manor, Infestation Gates of Hell and Big Top Terror.

Be advised that costumes and masks are not permitted. The park is family-friendly until 6 p.m., then the monsters come out.

Open Friday-Sunday, plus Oct.

31. Through Nov. 3. Hours are 5 p.m.-11 p.m. Fridays, from 11 a.m. Saturdays-Sundays, closing as late as midnight later in October. Tickets are \$47.99 and up for general admission, as high as \$79.99 at the gate. Plus \$35-\$50 for haunted house wristband. Fast-passes are \$55-\$155.

Reapers Realm

626 177th St., Hammond, Ind. (reapersrealm.com)

Reapers Realm is in an out-of-the-way spot near the expressway in northwest Indiana. There's a three-level mansion, plus Reaper's Woods out back and carnival rides along a bend of the Little Calumet River. This haunted attraction proved to be the most tactile experience I've had to date; it will get in your psyche and have you grasping the walls. Expect farmscapes (a la "Children of the Corn") and animatronics that will have you doing triple-takes on the approximately 30-minute adventure. (2018 review)

Open Fridays through Sundays plus Oct. 30-31. Hours 7 to 11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 7 to 10 p.m. Sundays. If you're in the parking lot by closing, you can get admission. Tickets are \$10 (Reaper's Woods or Reaper's Revenge admission only), \$20.00 (Reaper's Mansion only), \$25 (Mansion + Woods or Revenge), \$30 (all-access plus carnival ride) and \$40 (all access + unlimited rides). Speed Pass is an additional \$25.

Evil Intentions

900 Grace St., Elgin (eihaunt.com)

Located in the home of the former Elgin Casket Co. (really),

Evil Intentions has extra experiences such as ghost tours. Instead of big-budget, off-the-shelf props, this place makes everything lovingly by hand. Is the building really haunted? Evil Intentions invites you to "be terrorized at this multi-level 55,000-square-foot paranormal hot spot."

Open Fridays to Sundays, plus Oct. 24, 29, 30 and 31. Hours 7:30 p.m. to midnight Fridays and Saturdays, 7:30 to 10 p.m. Sundays and weekdays. Tickets are \$30 (general admission) to \$40 (VIP Fast Pass).

The Silence in Harrow House

Chopin Theatre, 1543 W. Division St. (www.RoughHouseTheater.com)

Part theater experience, part haunted house, "Harrow House" debuted in 2018 in the basement of the Chopin Theatre and sold out its whole Halloween run. Rough House Theater Company has brought it back for 2019. Audience members wander through the surreal environs of "the secluded home and studio of Milton Harrow, the world's most influential and reclusive architect." Conceived and directed by Mike Oleon, written by Mark Maxwell and Claire Saxe.

What else: Expect puppets that will scare the stuffing out of you; recommended for ages 14+.

Now open, runs through Oct. 10 with performances Thursdays-Fridays (7 p.m. and 8:45 p.m.), Saturdays at 6 p.m., 7:45 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., and Sundays at 6 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. Tickets are \$15-\$32.

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WEEKEND DINING

JUST OPENED



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BottlesUp! is a wine, beer and spirits shop in Lakeview owned by Melissa Zeman, who has nearly nine years in the industry.

Lakeview's one-stop beverage shop

BY GRACE WONG

After working in the wine industry for nearly nine years, Melissa Zeman has a lot of ideas about what a wine shop should be. Nine fully filled legal pads, to be exact.

But for now, she's focusing on providing a comfortable and approachable wine-buying experience, educating customers and building community at her wine, beer, spirits and beverage shop BottlesUp!, located in the former wineHouse space in Lakeview.

"I want to bridge that gap between pinkies up and Two-Buck Chuck, where people are drinking good wine," Zeman said. "A big deal for me is having quality wine at affordable price points."

The wines range from \$10 to \$140 with room for special



The wines are organized by color, with rows of painted bottles on shelves overhead: pink for rosé, yellow for white, and red for red.

requests and vintages once the holiday season rolls around. She's working with a whopping 50 distributors to find wines that fit her vision — many of which are from female importers or owners from regions all over the world, even lesser-

known makers from Croatia and India.

The wines are organized by color, with rows of painted bottles on shelves overhead: pink for rosé, yellow for white, and red for red. Zeman hopes this visual representation of the

wines will help guide the conversations about the customers' drinking preferences and what price point they're seeking. Plus, it's a great way to display some personal touches, like a Lollapalooza koozie or a set of painted wooden Swedish horses, gifted to her by a customer.

But BottlesUp! isn't just selling wine. Zeman is also selecting spirits, like aquavit and gin, and beers from local breweries. There's even a small magnetic whiteboard stuck on the side of the beer fridge for guests to propose what brew they want to find there next.

3164 N. Broadway, 773-362-4999, bottlesupchicago.com

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Reporter Adam Lukach contributed.



JOHN VERIVE

Head to Haymarket Pub for its Family Halloween Party Sunday.

EAT

Haymarket Pub, the popular West Loop brewery, will offer buffets for kids and adults during its Family Halloween Party. Beer will be flowing, plus check out games and activities including a piñata. Costumes are highly encouraged. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, Haymarket Pub & Brewery, 737 W. Randolph St., \$7 kids buffet, \$15 adult buffet, RSVP to janna@haymarketbrewing.com; haymarketbeer.com



ANTONIO PEREZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Eataly features Italian wines.

DRINK

Get your wine passport stamped during Eataly's Fall Wine Passport event. Guests can sample up to 20 different varieties from regions in Italy, while light bites will be available as well. Each session runs for two hours, and tickets are good for 10% off any purchase you might decide to make at Eataly. 6-8 p.m. and 8-10 p.m. Friday; noon-2 p.m., 2-4 p.m. and 4-6 p.m. Saturday, Eataly Chicago, 43 E. Ohio St., \$49; eataly.com

WHERE TO EAT NOW

Restaurant reviews and profiles from Tribune food critic Phil Vettel, staff reporters and freelance writers. Reviewers make every effort to remain anonymous. Meals are paid for by the Tribune.

George Trois This five-table dining room nestled within Restaurant Michael in Winnetka is old-school in the historic sense: Chef Michael Lachowicz studied under some of the greatest masters of French cuisine, including Paul Bocuse, Pierre Orsi and the late Jean Banchet. Open: Dinner Thursday-Sunday. Prices: Six-course tasting \$150; nine-course \$180. 64 Green Bay Road, Winnetka, 847-562-6105, reservations through www.tocktix.com. — Phil Vettel

Giant Jason Vincent (ex-Nightwood) is operating an eclectic 44-seater with co-chef Ben Lustbader and partner Josh Perlman (beverage honcho). The only common element in a menu that embraces sweet-and-sour eggplant and pecan-smoked ribs is that everything's delicious. The dining room is cheerfully noisy and unpretentious. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Saturday. Prices: Main courses \$16-\$19. 3209 W. Armitage Ave., 773-252-0997. — Phil Vettel

GT Prime Giuseppe Tentori (also GT Fish & Oyster) turns his back on steakhouse conventions in his second restaurant. There's no raw bar, no oversize potatoes, and steaks are served in precisely trimmed slices, rather than doorstep-sized slabs. The star entree is the Carnivore platter (bison, rib-eye, venison, wagyu). Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Steak \$14-\$56. 707 N. Wells St., 312-600-6305. — Phil Vettel

HaiSous At the brilliant HaiSous, Thai and Danielle Dang offer a pleasant (if occasionally noisy) 115-seat dining room with excellent service and price-conscious drinks, all in service to Thai Dang's skillful cooking and appealing, cliché-free menu. Open:

Dinner daily. Prices: Large plates \$16-\$25. 1800 S. Carpenter St., 312-702-1303. — Phil Vettel

Harvest Room Chef Jonathan Harootunian manages a nifty balancing act at this eco-conscious south suburban restaurant, presenting cutting-edge dishes with dashes of molecular gastronomy as well as a first-rate hamburger. The ambitious beverage program includes very good craft cocktails, a deep wine list and specialty teas. Open: Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. Prices: Entrees \$13-\$35. 7164 W. 127th St., Palos Heights, 708-671-8905. — Phil Vettel

The Heritage This appealing American-Mediterranean restaurant shows off twin chefs in Sieger Bayer and Michael Spiewak (both alums of Old Town Social), a well-edited menu of a half-dozen appetizers and about that many entrees and a tidy menu of imaginative cocktails by Nick Kokonas (no, not the one behind Alinea). Dinner Tuesday-Saturday, brunch Saturday-Sunday. Prices: Entrees \$15-\$26. 7403 Madison St., Forest Park, 708-435-4937. — Phil Vettel

Heritage Restaurant & Caviar Bar Chef Guy Meikle is out to take the mystery, and sticker shock, out of caviar. More than a half-dozen roes are available each day, costing as little as \$10 for an a la carte nibble to \$145 for a full-blown platter of whitefish and tobiko caviars with accompaniments. Elsewhere on the menu you'll find odes to Eastern Europe fare. Partner Jan Henrichsen created the fascinating wine list and the whimsical, seasonal cocktail menu. Pastry chef Alan Krueger veers from rustic to creative to classic. Dinner daily, brunch weekdays. Entrees \$16-\$35. 2700 W. Chicago Ave., 773-661-9577. — Phil Vettel

Il Porcellino Take Italian-American food, make it with top-notch ingredients and finish with bargain prices (for the neighbor-



ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Kikko Kikko calls a Fulton Market basement space its home, a 10-seat counter that serves a multicourse menu with novel beverages. Unlike its upstairs sister bar, Kumiko, where the cocktails are the star, the talented chef de cuisine Mariya Russell (Senza, Oriole) is front and center with her 12-course omakase meal, which began at this particular visit with butter-poached scallop with caviar, finger lime and puffed rice. There's a nigiri trio of aged madai, grilled Spanish prawn and glazed uni, followed by poached and seared mackerel with kombu sabayon. End your meal with thick slices of toasted Japanese milk bread, above, blowtorched right in front of you and topped with fermented-honey ice cream and garnished with fresh truffle. Dinner Wednesday-Sunday. Prices: Omakase menu \$130. 630 W. Lake St., 312-285-2912. — Phil Vettel

hood, at least). That's the recipe for the latest from Melman siblings RJ, Jerrod and Molly, overseen by chef Doug Psaltis. House-made pastas, \$17 or less, are the stars, particularly the gnocchi Bolognese. Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Pastas \$15-\$17, entrees \$22-\$30. 59 W. Hubbard St., 312-595-0800. — Phil Vettel

Imperial Lamian From the dining room, watch chef Wang Hong Jun hand pull lamian, the noodles that star in dishes such as a superb brisket bowl. The rain-bow xiao long bao basket tempts with six soup dumplings, each a different color with different filling, but beware: They're inconsistent. Open: Dinner daily, lunch Monday-Friday. Prices: Entrees \$18-\$35. 6 W. Hubbard St., 312-595-9440. — Louisa Chu

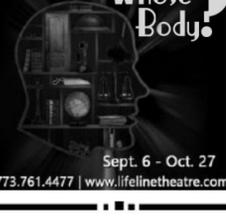
Jeong David Park and Jennifer Tran, known for the now-closed Hanbun, are practicing their modern-Korean culinary wizardry in Noble Square. Taking over the space that was home to Green Zebra, Jeong's 40-seat dining room is done in dark wood and soft overhead lighting. The optional tasting menu, \$87 for seven courses, is a conspicuous bargain compared with menus of similar size and skill. But there's no drop-off in quality among the a la carte options, where starters are priced in the midteens and no entree tops \$32. Begin with curls of cured-mackerel sashimi, lightly sprinkled with genmaicha and curved, atoll-like, around a puddle of vivid-red chojang dipping sauce. Beef tartare, served alongside buckwheat crackers, is blended with Asian pear and

cucumber, and topped with a custardy deviled egg yolk. The four entrees are all terrific, but the must-have is the pressed duck confit; Park takes cured leg meat and presses it into a boneless brick; aggressive searing gives the meat a two-tone effect. A fine beverage program includes food-friendly, reasonably priced wines and a handful of inventive cocktails. Service is attentive and well-versed. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Saturday. Prices: Entrees \$26-\$32. 1460 W. Chicago Ave., 312-877-5016. — Phil Vettel

Joe's Imports Francesca Restaurants' Scott Harris has converted his Glazed & Infused doughnut shop in Fulton Market into a wine bar where every bottle has a story, and wine director Joe Fiely is happy to relate them to customers. Joe's Imports' affordable vino list is matched by an eclectic, price-conscious small-plates menu — Italian leaning, but not totally — by Peter DeRuvo. Keep an eye out for the day's midnight pasta, so named as a salute to late-arriving industry workers. Joe's also serves weekend brunch (where the mimosas are made with genuine Champagne), where you'll find some dinner items augmented by breakfast-style dishes — including the bacon-maple-chocolate long john from Glazed & Infused. Open: Dinner daily; brunch Saturday and Sunday. Prices: \$5-\$30. 813 W. Fulton Market, 312-736-1750. — Phil Vettel

Katana A concept that originated on LA's Sunset Strip, Katana combines nightclubby visuals with ambitious, high-level cooking, highlighted by the dishes emerging from the sushi and robata bars. The a la carte menu offers a dizzy array of choices, and one can opt for an omakase (chef's choice) menu. General manager and veteran Chicago restaurateur Jason Chan puts a local face on what might otherwise seem like an imported operation. Lunch, weekdays; dinner, daily. Prices: Entrees \$16 to \$42. 339 N. Dearborn St., 312-877-5544. — Phil Vettel

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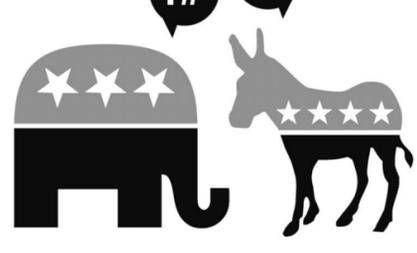
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THE THEATER LOOP

By CHRIS JONES



Cirque's new holiday show in Chicago

'Twas the Night Before' will debut in November

Cirque du Soleil, the Montreal-based entertainment behemoth, has themed its famous productions around Mexican culture, steampunk, Criss Angel, Michael Jackson (twice), Greek mythology, flight, insects and sex.

Incredibly, it has never produced a Christmas show.

Until now. Coming in November to the Chicago Theatre, the all-new "Twas the Night Before."

Cirque is a brand name. This will be formidable, fresh competition to the other purveyors of seasonal entertainment in the Loop, including the Goodman Theatre (which stages "A Christmas Carol" every year), the Joffrey Ballet (staging its "Nutcracker" for the last time at the Auditorium Theatre this year) and Broadway in Chicago's various venues, always humming along for the holidays.

The new attraction, which will split the short holiday season between Chicago (Nov. 29 to Dec. 8) and the Hulu Theater at Madison Square Garden in New York City (Dec. 9-29), will be Cirque's first, purpose-built family show, aimed at children and adults from age 4 and up. Cirque certainly has attracted its share of kids over the years, especially to shows like "Mystere" in Las Vegas and "La Nouba" in Orlando, but the vibe at most of the tent shows that have toured through Chicago for decades has been



CIRQUE DU SOLEIL

A rendering of a scene from Cirque du Soleil's upcoming "Twas the Night Before," which will debut this holiday season.

adult: Cirque traditionally has positioned itself as a classy and often sensual date, the kind of evening spent in the company of admirable physiques and best enjoyed after a nice glass of French champagne.

But the holidays are for families. And Cirque — which now is mostly owned by the investment companies TPG Capital, China's Fosun Industrial Holdings and Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec — has been expanding its market into new areas.

It already owns Blue

Man Group, another departure from its core business. It is getting into ice shows. And on Nov. 14, Cirque will open its first new Las Vegas show in years at the Luxor Hotel and Casino, "R.U.N." Written by the filmmaker Robert Rodriguez, "R.U.N." is designed to be a kind of live-action movie, heavy on stunts and light on traditional nomenclature of the circus.

According to Cirque's chief executive producer Yasmine Khalil, "Twas the Night Before" is intended to become the kind of show that can reappear each holiday season, allowing

MSG Entertainment, which owns both the Chicago Theatre and Madison Square Garden, to keep its theaters filled at a peak time of the year when families are seeking urban excitement.

The content? Khalil says the show is "inspired" by the famous, and famously influential, poem, as anonymously published in 1823. (It's actually titled "A Visit from St. Nicholas" and attributed to Clement Clarke Moore; cultural historians have argued that much of what we think of as our Christmas traditions have their origins in its

verse). But it's not some kind of literal treatment or, heaven forfend, dramatization.

"We really tried to find things that would appeal to families," Khalil said. "We want to captivate kids, and also to trigger the emotions that surround the holidays."

To put that another way: expect a heartwarming family show.

Khalil also said that Cirque is aware people will be buying multiple tickets and, therefore, that the price point needs to be a little friendlier than the customary three-figure ducats at its tent shows. She

also said that the show won't have an intermission (there will be as many as three performances a day over the peak holiday weekends), meaning that the running time will be shorter than at a traditional Cirque show and thus more kid-friendly. There won't be an original score, but there will be music. The show will use familiar holiday music, albeit in lively, contemporary arrangements. And there will be more dance than in your typical Cirque show.

The last time Cirque premiered a show at the Chicago Theatre, the result was perhaps the biggest flop in its entire history: "Banana Schpeel," a cautionary tale from 2009 of what can go very wrong in a proscenium theater. But that production was based around text and clowning and had a different creative team. "Twas the Night Before" will be more of a traditional Cirque show in the sense of being rooted in acrobatics and, well, circus acts fused to create a unified live experience. For the family.

And say what you will about Cirque, I have never known it to make the same creative mistake twice.

"We think that a lot of the people are likely to be experiencing Cirque for the first time," Khalil said of the new show headed to Chicago. "And we've put just as much time and investment in this production as any other Cirque show."

Chris Jones is a Tribune critic.

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CHRIS JONES RECOMMENDS

"A Doll's House"

★★★

Henrik Ibsen's "A Doll's House" is one of the most famous plays in theater. The meltdown of the 19th-century marriage of Nora and Torvald Helmer was regarded as scandalous in 1879. In Glencoe, the Writers Theatre's intimate new adaptation of the play, created by Michael Halberstam and Sandra Delgado, has boiled this three-act drama down to 90 lively minutes. People were hissing every time Torvald spoke, a danger today when he comes off like a melodramatic villain. But that's never true of Cher Álvarez, the vivid actress playing Nora. I also admired director Lavina Jadhvani's ending, which conveys one of the play's major overlooked lessons — that while Ibsen was treating a brilliant and oppressed young wife with revolutionary sympathy and understanding, he also was sending her out into the cold night, fending for herself. *Through Dec. 15 at Writers Theatre, 325 Tudor Court, Glencoe; \$35-\$80 at 847-242-6000 or www.writerstheatre.org*

"Blue Man Group"

★★★★½

"Blue Man Group" has been playing at Briar Street Theatre since 1997, a remarkable run of 20-plus years. The Blue Men still chomp marshmallows, bang drums and paint up audience members — but this remains a fine gateway for the young into the arts. If you've never had the pleasure, go. *Open run at the Briar Street Theatre, 3133 N. Halsted St.; \$49-\$69 at www.ticketmaster.com*

"The Color Purple"

★★★

Chicago has a long history with "The Color Purple," the musical version of Alice Walker's beloved story of suffering, resilience and triumph. But as with any musical, there is always a new audience and sitting in Oakbrook Terrace Thursday night, I was struck by all the gasps of

surprise at the plot points. In the role of Shug Avery, Sydney Charles is one of the anchors of rising director Lili-Anne Brown's new production. And newcomer Eben K. Logan reaches down deep to find her Celie. *Through Nov. 3 at Drury Lane Theatre, 100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace; \$55-\$70 at 800-745-3000 and www.drurylanetheatre.com*

"Every Brilliant Thing"

★★★★

Can you count your reasons for living? If your list could use some expansion, let me recommend a trip to "Every Brilliant Thing," a really beautiful show that has buoyed me, amused me and challenged me in the time since I left the theater at Windy City Playhouse South. This 80-minute, one-woman performance was written by Duncan Macmillan and the British comedian Jonny Donahoe. Its narrator talks to the audience about growing up with a suicidal mother whose first attempt to take her own life occurred when the narrator was just seven years old. The narrator, here the charming Rebecca Spence, directed by Jessica Fisch, creates a list of all of the reasons for her mother to live. No. 1 is ice cream. No. 3 is staying up past your bedtime and being able to watch TV. No. 4 is the color yellow. The story continues from there. *Open run at Windy City Playhouse South, 2229 S. Michigan Ave.; \$55-\$75 at 773-891-8985 and www.windycityplayhouse.com*

"Grinning From Fear to Fear"

★★★★½

Despite the title — or maybe because of the title — there's a real warmth to "Grinning From Fear to Fear," the current revue from Second City's e.t.c. company and director Anneliese Dorf. This show on Wells Street is both funny and forgiving, understanding the delicate art of optimistic comedy and the political power of empathy. Knox really is something here; his energy



FADEOUT PHOTO

Haley Bollithon, Sarah Cartwright, Kirsten Fitzgerald and Autumn Hlava in "Grey House" by A Red Orchid Theatre.

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"Grey House" ★★★½

Just in time for Halloween, behold the scariest show in Chicago. Levi Holloway's "Grey House" is a savvy new play by a Chicago playwright. A young couple wrecks their car in a blizzard and ends up in a lonely cabin. The residents are a group of seemingly feral kids, mostly teenage girls with intense stares. They are able to come and go with impunity; it is as if they inhabit the walls. Aside from some truly intense performances, "Grey House" works because it is staged on a hyper-detailed set from Kurtis Boetcher and because the director, Shade Murray, invests in every moment. *Through Dec. 1 at A Red Orchid Theatre, 1531 N. Wells St.; \$30-\$40 at 312-943-8722 and www.aredorchidtheatre.org*

makes the show run and he's especially adept at making you feel like he's entirely in the moment and that anything can happen. *Open run at Second City e.t.c. Stage, 1608 N. Wells St. in Piper's Alley; \$21-\$58 at 312-337-3992 and www.seconddcity.com*

"Hamilton"

★★★★

This heartland "Hamilton" is performed by players mostly younger and less experienced than the original New York cast and is less flashy. But it is more in touch with the fundamental scrappiness of the early years of a rebel colony turned into a spectacular democratic experiment. And in Chicago, a city where theater is founded on truth, it is somehow very much more human and vulnerable. *Through Jan. 5, 2020 at CIBC Theatre, 18 W. Monroe St.; \$65-\$400 at 800-775-2000 or www.broadwayinchicago.com*

"Love, Chaos and Dinner"

★★★

Teatro ZinZanni has opened "Love, Chaos and Dinner" in the heart of Chicago's theater district, delivering an inclusive, approachable, PG-13 rated Big Loop Night Out as it has been understood for decades by suburbanites and tourists. You eat a bit, talk a bit, eat a bit more, watch some circus acts up-close. And when it comes to putting an audience volunteer at ease, no one is better than Frank Ferrante as the incomparable Caesar. "What do you do for a living?" Real estate broker. "Well, you have a lovely development." He had dozens more. The circus work is scaled to the space, of course (this is not Cirque du Soleil) but the performers are very skilled. *Open run at the Cambry Hotel, 32 W. Randolph St.; \$99-\$189 (includes dinner) at 312-488-0900 or www.zinzanni.com*

"Mosquitoes"

★★★

Lucy Kirkwood's "Mosquitoes" is not a play about insects. It is an ambitious epic from London's National Theatre, exploring everything from the perils of parenting teenagers to the existential questions posed by astrophysics. Steep Theatre, which never shies from a challenge, is staging it in a storefront on Berwyn Avenue. The central character here, a British scientist named Alice (Cindy Marker), is dealing with three generations of problems. Her mother (Meg Thalken) battles dementia. Her son (Alexander Stuart) is a lovable but angst kid. And Alice's dysfunctional younger sister is portrayed by Julia Siple, who is doing simply astonishing work here. *Through Nov. 9 at Steep Theatre, 1115 W. Berwyn Ave.; \$27-\$39 at 773-649-3186 or www.steeptheatre.com*

"Southern Gothic"

★★★★

A house has been built inside the Windy City Playhouse for the latest run of "Southern Gothic" at its Playhouse South location. Not the usual stage set. As you walk into the theater for Leslie Liautaud's play, directed by David Bell, you're asked to enter what looks like a real house, replete with a lime-green kitchen. You and your fellow audience members join four couples, variously loving, scheming, cheating and feuding, whose political and personal travails make up a play set during a fraught dinner party in Ashford, Ga., in 1961. Thanks to this truthful cast, it all works spectacularly well. *Through Oct. 27 at Windy City Playhouse South, 2229 S. Michigan Ave.; \$65-\$85 at 773-891-8985 and www.windycityplayhouse.com*

"Sunset Boulevard"

★★★★

Hollis Resnik and Norma Desmond: What took that so long? Now in the intimate Ruth Page Center, Resnik approaches the melodramatic antiheroine of Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Sunset Boulevard" as if she could feel all of the withered diva's pain and vulnerability. And the part is, as always for Resnik, exquisitely well sung. Michael Weber, the director, has built his production around his star, which is as it should be. He even gives her the safety net of two of Chicago's most generous baritones, Larry Adams, who plays the servant Max Von Mayerling, and David Girolmo, who plays Cecil B. DeMille. Lloyd Webber and writers and lyricists Don Black and Christopher Hampton made much of the contrast between youth and age, possibility and delusion. The talented Billy Rude is too young and fresh-faced to play Joe and the musical tempo is at times breakneck, but none of that can spoil this show. You will, I think, be very moved. *Through Dec. 8 by Porchlight Music Theatre at Ruth Page Center for the Arts, 1016 N. Dearborn St.; \$39-\$66 at 773-777-9884 and www.porchlightmusictheatre.org*

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IN THE INTEREST OF
Jamar Xavier Novy
MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF: Jessica Novy
(Mother)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Dominique Kidd
(Father), respondents, and to All Whom
It May Concern, that on September 20,

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS
CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY
AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO
TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND
TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled
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UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show
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admitted as against you and each of you,

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COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
October 3, 2019 6487110

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or as soon thereafter as this case may be
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ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY:
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ATTORNEY FOR:
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TO: Dunn Realty Group, LLC, Dunn Realty Group, LLC c/o Mitchell Elliot Jones, and Occupant; County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois; spouses, heirs at law, devisees, if any, of the above mentioned persons, described as Unknown Owners; Occupants or persons in actual possession of real estate herein described; claimants, decree creditors, judgment creditors, if any, of the above, described as Unknown Owners; Unknown Owners and Parties interested in said real estate. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD003831 FILED October 15, 2019 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: April 6, 2017 Certificate No. 15-0010171 Sold for General Taxes of 2015 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality and special assessment no.) None Warrant No. [Not Applicable] THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 4611-27 W WEST END AVE, Chicago, IL 60644 Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-10-325-010-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on March 3, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before March 3, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Room 1704, (Calendar 8) Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602, on April 1, 2020, at 9:30 AM You may be present at this hearing, but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before March 3, 2020, by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: 312-603-5645 By: Purchaser or Assignee Corona Investments, LLC (312) 251-1811 Dated: October 15, 2019 10/23, 24, 25/2019 6483640

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TO: Ugwu Uche; City of Chicago, c/o City Clerk; City of Chicago Water Department; Judgment Creditors, And Decree Creditors, if Any Of The Above Described As "Unknown Owners"; Karen A. Yarbrough, Cook County Clerk, Parties In Occupancy Or Actual Possession Of Said Property; Unknown Owners Or Persons Interested In Said Land Or Lot. TAX DEED NO. 2019 COTD 003641 FILED: October 7, 2019 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook, State of Illinois Date Premises Sold: MAY 08, 2019 Certificate No. 17-0011219 Sold for General Taxes of 2017 (including prior years 2011 second installment, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016) Sold For Special Assessment of (Municipality) Not Applicable. And Special Assessment No. Not Applicable. Warrant No. Not Applicable. Inst. No. Not Applicable. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 2902 W. ROOSEVELT RD., CHICAGO, ILLINOIS Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-13-329-039-0000 Vol. 558 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on FEBRUARY 26, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before FEBRUARY 26, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois on MARCH 13, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before FEBRUARY 26, 2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. Address: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, IL 60602 Telephone: (312) 603-5645 LAQUITA WEST, purchaser or assignee Dated: October 21, 2019 Judd M. Harris #55136 933 West Van Buren St. Suite 304 Chicago, IL 60607 312-795-9600 harrislaw@sbglobal.net 10/23, 24, 25/2019 6484945

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TO: Jantnett Branch, Jantnett Branch, City of Chicago - Corporation Counsel, City of Chicago - City Clerk, James R. Branch, Nancy L. Branch, and Occupant; County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois; spouses, heirs at law, devisees, if any, of the above mentioned persons, described as Unknown Owners; Occupants or persons in actual possession of real estate herein described; claimants, decree creditors, judgment creditors, if any, of the above, described as Unknown Owners; Unknown Owners and Parties interested in said real estate. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD003827 FILED October 15, 2019 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: July 24, 2017 Certificate No. 175-0009810 Sold for General Taxes of 2017 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality and special assessment no.) None Warrant No. [Not Applicable] THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 1810 S RIDGEWAY AVE, Chicago, IL 60623 Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-23-312-030-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on March 3, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before March 3, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Room 1704, (Calendar 8) Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602, on April 1, 2020, at 9:30 AM You may be present at this hearing, but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before March 3, 2020, by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: 312-603-5645 By: Purchaser or Assignee Corona Investments, LLC (312) 251-1811 Dated: October 15, 2019 10/23, 24, 25/2019 6483674

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TO: Diane Gottlieb, Diane Gottlieb, City of Chicago - Corporation Counsel, City of Chicago - City Clerk, Occupant 1st Floor, Occupant 2nd floor, Occupant 3rd floor, and Occupant Basement; County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois; spouses, heirs at law, devisees, if any, of the above mentioned persons, described as Unknown Owners; Occupants or persons in actual possession of real estate herein described; claimants, decree creditors, judgment creditors, if any, of the above, described as Unknown Owners; Unknown Owners and Parties interested in said real estate. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD003829 FILED October 15, 2019 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: April 6, 2017 Certificate No. 15-0010482 Sold for General Taxes of 2015 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality and special assessment no.) None Warrant No. [Not Applicable] THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 4245 W WILCOX ST, Chicago, IL 60624 Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-15-209-006-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on March 3, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before March 3, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Room 1704, (Calendar 8) Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602, on April 1, 2020, at 9:30 AM You may be present at this hearing, but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before March 3, 2020, by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: 312-603-5645 By: Purchaser or Assignee Corona Investments, LLC (312) 251-1811 Dated: October 15, 2019 10/23, 24, 25/2019 6483631

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ACROSS

- 1 Pitcher
- 4 Two quartets combined
- 9 Gas station chain
- 13 Walking aid
- 14 Largest bank in the U.S.
- 15 Kauai feast
- 16 "Ticket to ___"; Beatles song
- 17 Self-satisfied & not worried
- 19 Spanish cheer
- 20 Young boxer
- 21 Expenses
- 22 Raises, as kids
- 24 Andrew Cuomo's title: abbr.
- 25 Competitors
- 27 Woods
- 30 Warning device
- 31 News anchor ___ Williams
- 33 Cheap metal
- 35 Slay
- 36 Gem in an oyster shell
- 37 Positive
- 38 Thirsty
- 39 1 of the 5 senses
- 40 Cables
- 41 Fraud
- 43 Unassuming
- 44 Youth
- 45 Lucifer

DOWN

- 1 Lockup
- 2 Rate too low
- 3 Seventh letter
- 4 Happens
- 5 Mince
- 6 Pat down, as soil
- 7 Catch sight of
- 8 ___ Aviv
- 9 Room recess
- 10 Feels remorse
- 11 "___ Take My Eyes Off You"; Frankie Valli hit
- 12 Time-___; game breaks
- 13 ___Magnon man
- 18 Oak tree dropping
- 20 Part of the hand
- 23 British noble
- 24 Hockey score

Solutions

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25 Gather leaves

26 Ancient Greek epic poem

27 Blaze

28 Mind-boggling

29 Goodyear products

31 "Father Knows ___"

32 Traitor

34 Home in a tree

36 ___ for; bought

37 Ice cream parlor order

39 Rib

40 Learn by ___; memorize

42 Priests & ministers

43 "Attractive" metal

45 Gravy

46 Make a mess at table

47 Novel's lead character

48 ___ up; express one's feelings

49 Have nothing to do with

50 Brown shades

52 Facts and figures

53 Harris & Begley

55 Dove's cry

56 Refrain syllable

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